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"My commitment to the mission and improbable reality of the North Carolina School of the Arts in general, and to high school academics in particular, is deeper than ever...The guiding principles of the founders bring us back to our central task. That task is the education of young artist-citizens in the best of the liberal arts tradition."

-Linda Moore, Fall 2007

Principled, intelligent, creative, ethical, joyful and above all passionate; these are just a few of the many words that describe Ms. Linda Moore. Ms. Moore has dedicated 25 years of her teaching career to NCSA and continues to be a "conscience" to the school. Before coming to NCSA, she taught Biology for four years at Carver High School and then was a Life Science teacher at Wiley Junior High for six years. It is clear Ms. Moore cares much for her students. She is an enthusiastic teacher who fills her classes with a variety of exciting labs- from observing plant cells to dissecting termites- and interesting discussions. Ms. Moore tries to help us discover and understand the world around us. While at Wiley Junior High she had a student named Jonathan Milner, who is now one of her colleagues, today Mr. Milner recalls an event he will never forget.

"When I was in seventh grade, I was fortunate to have Ms. Moore as my science teacher. She was one of the bright spots in a largely forgettable and bleak time in my life. Ms. Moore was one of the best guides I had. Through the gloom of Wiley Junior High School, I could always look forward to Ms. Moore's class which sparkled with illuminating and exciting projects and labs. Looking back on that year, where I can't even remember my other teachers' names, I can still recall the exciting details of labs where we dissected fetal pigs, tested our blood types, checked pH levels, and, on the best day of the year, tried to deduce the mystery chemical we had been given (we got it wrong, but learned why). I hated science, but loved Ms. Moore's class, because in her class, we didn't just memorize tables and charts, we actually did science. Despite all the wonderful labs and projects we undertook, there is one episode that stands above the rest as testament to Linda Moore's compassion for students. I was procrastinating on the 7th grade science paper that Ms. Moore had assigned us. Every few days she would check in with us and ask how we were doing, and as time was running out, I admitted to Ms. Moore that I had done little to complete my project. Ms. Moore wasn't about to accept my failure as an option. The next day, with my parents' permission, she personally marched me down to the Wake Forest University library and taught me how to research and write a paper, which I promptly did (I wasn't about to say no to a woman on a mission, who cared more about my success than I did). Ms. Moore didn't do the work for me, she showed me how to do the work. She demanded my excellence, and I, surprising myself, gave it back to her. I wrote her a paper on the science of biofeedback, which, although it never won me a Nobel prize, gave me something invaluable: experience, self confidence, and a passing grade; all thanks to Ms. Moore's dogged determination to help every last one of her students learn and grow. Beyond the science I learned, Linda taught me an even more important lesson: what an excellent teacher looks like. An excellent teacher has a command of and joy in their material, the ability to inspire a love of learning, and a deep compassion for every individual in their care."

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Ms. Moore also actively serves on all-school committees and participates in faculty activities daily. Her colleagues say, "Linda is an able voice for the High School Academic Program and its faculty, and often she serves as a bellwether for us. She reminds us of the responsibility we share for creating and maintaining an academic program of meaning and integrity within the mission of the School. Linda's love for the School and the High School Academic Program and its students are evident in her passion about the program."

Not only is she an engaging teacher and an active leader, but she is also the incredible mother of two children, Abra and Noah. She has a great sense of humor that makes her children laugh when they are down and she loves to spend time with them. Ms. Moss, a long time friend and colleague describes her as "one of the most remarkable mothers I have ever met in my life."

In order to show our appreciation for this extraordinary woman, we dedicate this yearbook to Ms. Linda Moore. She brings joy to her work and her passion for this school is unending. Thank you Ms. Moore for all you do to benefit your students and the entire high school. We love you!

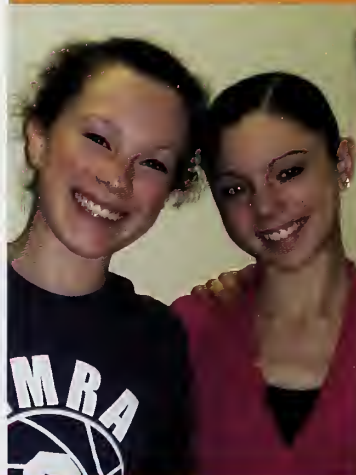


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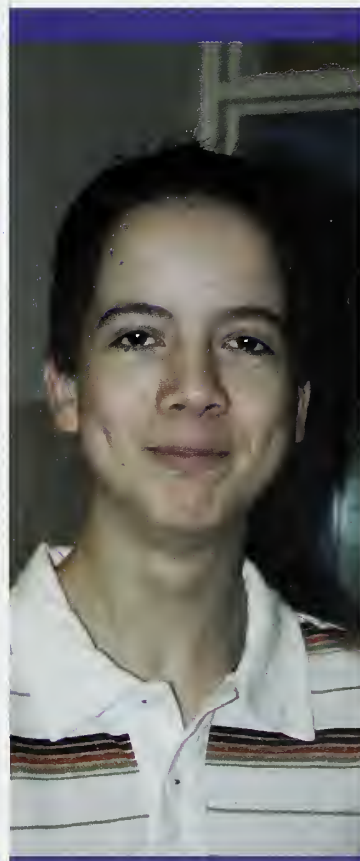
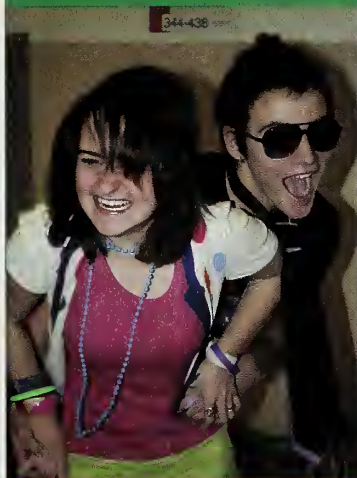
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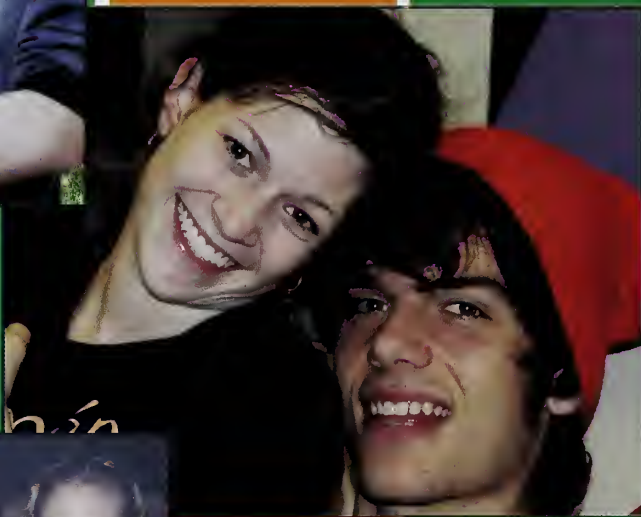
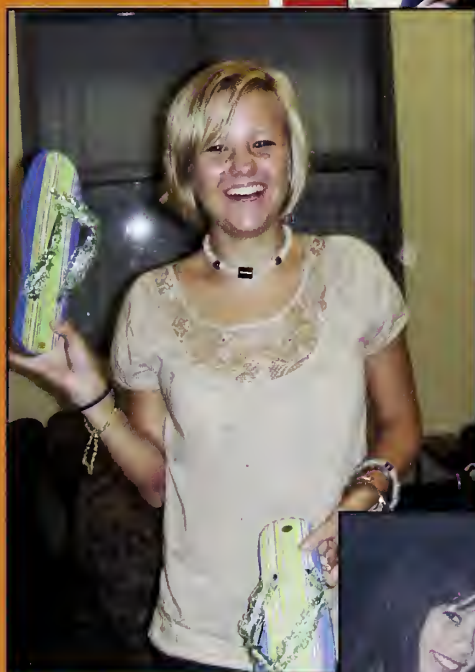
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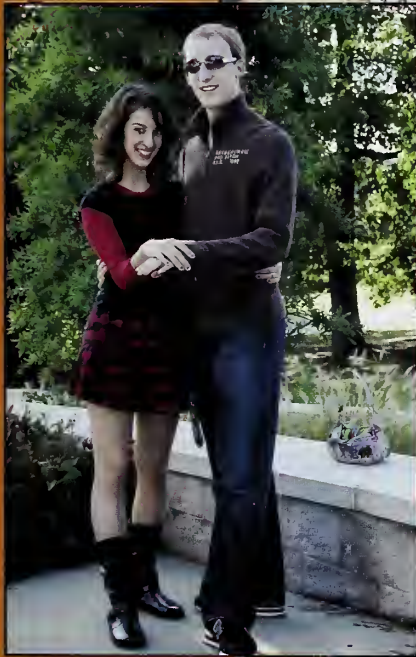
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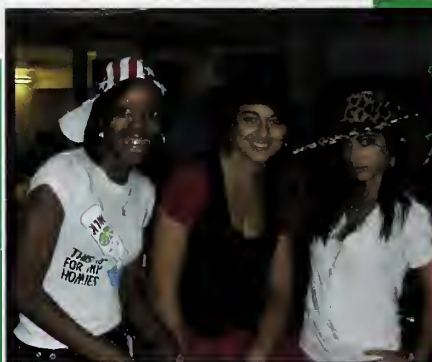


Julia Eisen, Angela Agresti, Lydia McRae, and Cleo Ledet unpack for the new school year!

The beginning of a new school year is always a very exciting time of year. It is especially exciting at NCSA! Each new year at NCSA brings new artists from around the country and the world who have taken the first step to pursuing their careers. There are at least 20 new drama students as the drama class is brand new every year. Then there are the freshmen entering NCSA for the first time and the new VAI Class that enters every year. There are also all the new dancers and musicians who finally make it to NCSA. If you're a returnee there are SO many new people to get to know that sometimes it feels like you weren't even here last year. If you're new to NCSA then your life is completely changed as the new school year begins.



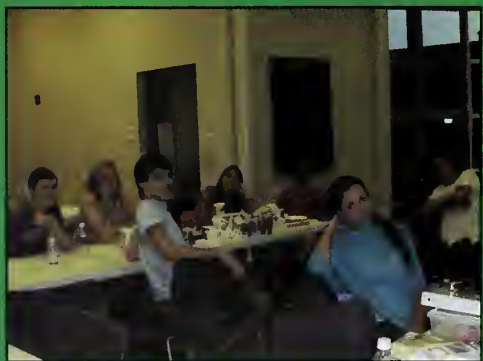
Corey Dundee, Judson Fraley, Kelsey Dickerson, and Aaron Pennington enjoy a snack after a hard day of setting up for the new student orientation.



Kelsey Dickerson, Sarah Ingel, and Barri DeFrancisci play dress up while cleaning out and organizing closets in the Well.



Alexa Skillicorn, Rebecca Hayden, Ben Rudisin, and Emma Tilson are all smiles during opening weekend.



Alan Pearce, Sarah Bishop, Spencer Badesch, Courtney Lopes, Corey Dundee, Kelsey Dickerson, Aaron Pennington, and Samantha Driver form close bonds during opening week.



Barri DeFrancisci and Sarah Bishop decorate posters for 3rd floor Sanford.



Student orientation leaders meet with the Deans of each art school during opening week. Cody Hayman, Spencer Badesch, and Assistant Dean of Dance, Warren Conover, bond after the meeting.

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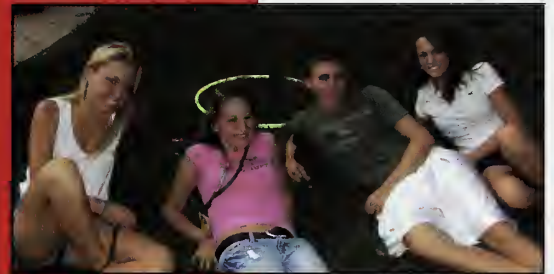
It's not difficult to meet new people during opening weekend at NCSA. Through the many activities scheduled, new students are introduced to the school and returning students make new friends. This year new students went to a low ropes course that tested their logic skills and taught them to work together as a team. Judson Fraley organized a barbecue and field day for all the students. During field day each team competed in a balloon race, a hula hoop race, a race through a swinging jump rope and other relay races. By this time, the drama class had already formed a special bond and even performed a song together at the barbecue. The whole school celebrated school starting with a dance in Eisenberg Social Hall that night. Most students vividly recall their first impressions of NCSA during opening weekend, and many lasting friendships were created.



Samantha Miller, Courtney Lopes, Hannah Emerson, and Sloan Thompson show off their skills in the hula hoop contest.



Shane Urton, Amy Saunders, Rae Nickerson, Anna Halligan, and Reagan Garing share their personalized horoscope certificates at the first party in the Gallery.



Ellery Bute, Rebecca Blank, Mac Hopper, and Morgan Chimielewski relax outside on Field Day.



Sterling King, Bryony McCullough, Sloan Cobb, and Zoe Lewis are happy to be back together at the Welcome Back Dance.

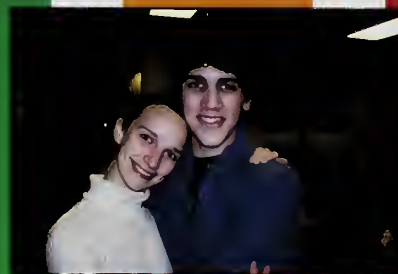


Students dance during the opening weekend field day races.

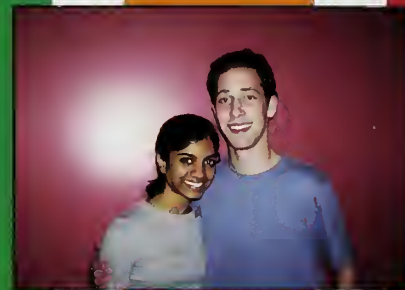
peer leaders



The peer leaders get ready for the intense opening day!



Joanna Michelic and Spencer Badesco share the love.



Sindhu Pamarthi and Owen Broder hug for the camera.



Kelly Porter smiles with excitement before ballet class.



Seve Foster chows down on some dinner!



Courtney Lopes and Sarah Bishop hugging and being good role models!



Our peer leaders and SOLs pose for a silly shot!



Katherine Mount takes a break to eat in the cafe.



Lila Thornton happily passes by.

Rushing around to make sure every room in the dorms was inspected on time, decorating the halls, and learning good leadership skills were only a few of the tasks peer leaders had to accomplish the week before students arrived at NCSA. Rising early in the morning and working until late at night, the peer leaders helped to make opening weekend a success. They manned the forts at different areas around campus to show new students around and helped to haul loads of luggage up to the rooms. When all of opening weekend was finished the peer leaders continued to make NCSA a positive environment where students could thrive. Each week peer leaders met to discuss ways to help their peers reduce stress, along with ways to have more fun. By holding crafting socials and educational events the peer leaders made sure there was never a dull moment.

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Bindhu Pamarthi and Ms. Whitworth sat at the entrance of Eisenberg greeting enthusiastic seniors as they arrived. Each senior had to provide their personalized quote for the yearbook before they were admitted into the party. Once inside, seniors enjoyed their night to shine! It was a stress free evening full of loud music, dancing and of course lots of free food! Seniors "danced off" on the floor and then chowed down on pizza, chips and candy. After the party Bindhu Pamarthi said, "The senior quote party was just the thing to set the tone for our senior year. Lackadaisical yet intentional."



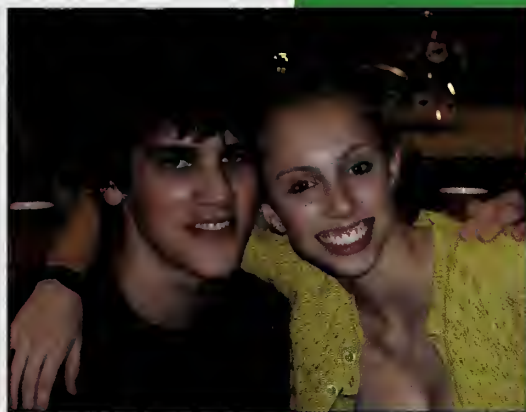
Hannah Barstoot, Aaron Pennington, Hope Barnes, Lauren Cerber, and Lindsey Matheis show how excited they are to be seniors!



Ms. Whitworth and Bindhu Pamarthi greet everyone as they enter.



Julia Eisen, Lauren Pschirrer, and Angela Agresti pose after they finish their portion of the dance-off.



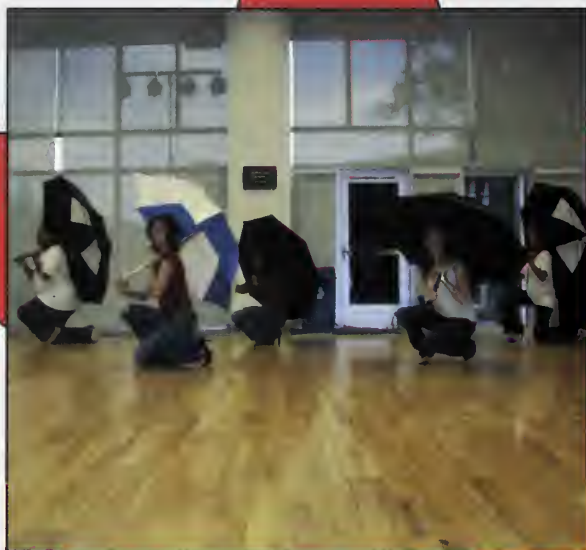
Spencer Badesch and Ashley Hathaway strike a pose.



Some Seniors stayed till the end for a group shot with their fellow peers.

Courtney Lopes taking a break from dancing!





Contestants in a production number rehearsal.



Jameesa Yarborough in the evening gown competition.



Judson Fraley, high school winner Jasmine Wilson, student coordinator Bindhu Pamarthi, college winner Jasmine Osborne, and Eryc Barnes after the crowning.

miss ncsa pageant

Seven charming, poised, intelligent and talented NCSA women went head on as they vied for the crown which would make them the first ever Miss NCSA High School and Miss NCSA College. Each contestant competed in the following categories: talent, evening wear, athletic wear and an interview with the judges. After a fun opening production number, Jasmine Wilson, a high school junior and vocal major, wowed the judges with a comedic monologue by Steven Colbert and secured the title. When asked why she had chosen to compete, Wilson responded "I did pageants at my schools before and they were always fun." She also mentioned that she "Definitely got closer with Jameesa." Jameesa Yarborough, a vocal major in high school took home the People's Choice Award as well as the esteemed Miss Congeniality award which was voted on by the contestants themselves. "My original thought was to participate in the pageant because I had never done one before", said Yarborough. "After the first rehearsal I realized it was going to be a lot harder than I thought. Then I decided I wanted to do the pageant for all those future fighting pickles who might think it is impossible."

Special guests at the event included Miss Forsyth County who sang Somewhere Over the Rainbow and Miss North Carolina, Jessica Jacobs, who served as a judge.



Lindsey Matheis, Lindsey Marchitelli, Jasmine Wilson, Jasmine Osbourne, Monica Williams, Kelsey McJunkins, and Jameesa Yarborough pose one last time at Miss NCSA after the pageant with their awards.

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The whole clean-up crew gathers after a hard but very fun day of helping out our environment!



The girls weren't afraid to get their hands dirty! They created a chain so they could collect more trash off the banks of the stream. Serious Big Sweepers!



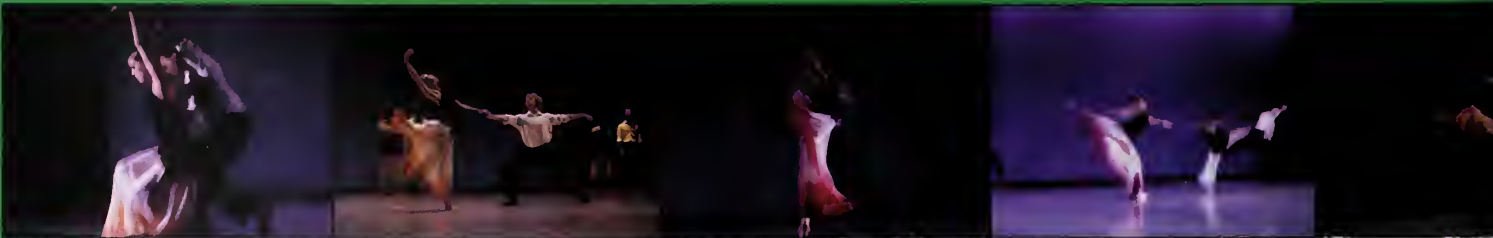
Delaney Wing applies her ballet technique as she proudly shows off her valuable findings.

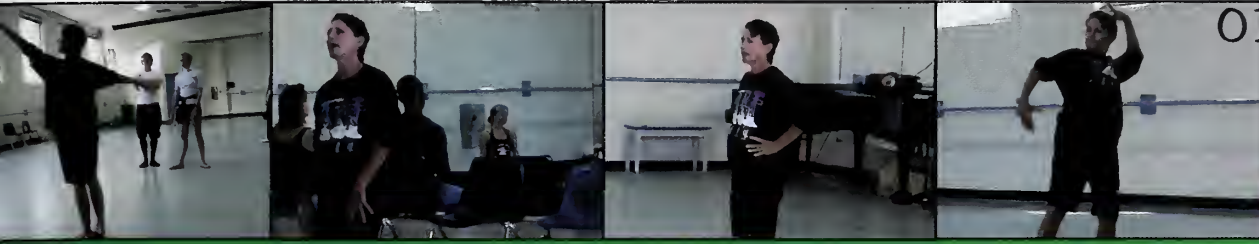


The results of a successful BIG Sweep!

Early on a Saturday morning a group of NCSA students took a break from their rigorous art studies and helped the environment and community around them. They ventured to Washington Park and with the help of the Sustainability Committee, cleaned up the trash that had collected in and along the waterways. NCSA students had no hesitation diving (or falling) right into the water and by the end of the day, a huge pile of cans and bottles, street signs, and random car parts had accumulated. After a long day of work, the students enjoyed not only free time on the playground and lunch from the county, but the warm feeling one experiences after knowing they have made a positive impact on the world.

the big sweep





a tribute to dean susan mccullough



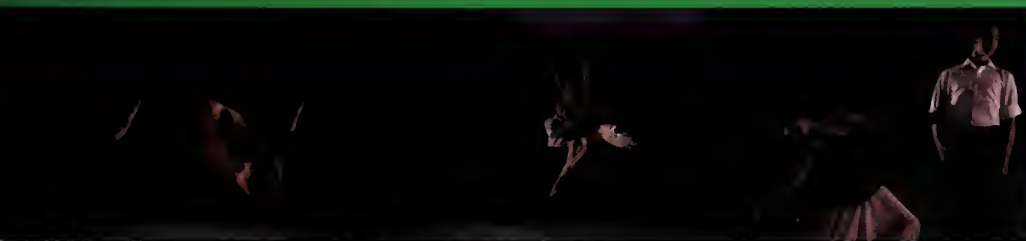
Over the last twenty years, Dean Susan McCullough has taken the NCSA dance program to a new level, a new height, and a new understanding of dance. Susan McCullough became Dean of Dance in 1988 and has overseen the training of over 2,000 students. Many of the students who have graduated from the School of Dance under the direction of Dean McCullough have become successful in the world of dance including Gillian Murphy, Camille Brown, and Dwana Smallwood.

Dean McCullough began her ballet training at the age of four at Butler University with Eileen Postum. When she turned five her family moved from Indianapolis, Indiana to Columbus, Ohio, where she continued studying ballet with Ditzzy Nagy Baccei. Dean McCullough's interests in teaching began in Ohio in the basement of her house where she began teaching thirty neighborhood children, in 1967. In the same year, Dean McCullough was offered scholarships to Rebekah Harkness' Watch Hill program and to the School of American Ballet.

Dean McCullough's first encounter with NCSA was in 1968 at the school's summer session. It was during this summer that her long time relationship with the school of dance began, but it wasn't the only relationship that began. Dean McCullough also met her husband of thirty-five years, Rick McCullough, who is also a graduate of the NCSA School of Dance. This relationship led Dean McCullough to turn down the scholarship she received from the National Ballet School in order to attend the high school program at NCSA.

Dean McCullough has led in the creation of over one hundred new ballets and contemporary works including Kylian's 'Symphony in D', 'Dream Dances', 'Renderings Revered', and 'Sonnet and Fugue'. This also includes the restaging of hundreds of works by people such as Balanchine, De Mille, Morris, Nikolais, and Tudor. One of Dean McCullough's greatest ideas was the 'Company and Choreographer' project which was started in 1990. This project brought small modern dance companies in for 'Fall Dance'. Now, the Company and Choreography project has developed into an annual three week residence by small ballet and contemporary companies. During these three weeks the companies perform with the students in the production of the 'Winter Dance Concert'. This year's company will be Alonzo King's LINES Ballet.

In the fall of 2007, Dean McCullough retired as the Dean of the School of Dance and will return as a faculty member after a one year sabbatical. Although she will be missed by many, we wish her the best and know that even as faculty member, she will continue to STEP UP just as she has as a Dean.



fall fest

On a cool October afternoon students gathered outside Eisenberg Social Hall to enjoy fresh popcorn, live music and time away from busy schedules. The afternoon's activities included an inflatable obstacle course, a tiger shaped moon bounce, student created shaved ice, and a performance by the band Skinny. Students were also given the opportunity to take home a memory of the event by having their hands cast in paraffin wax.



Friends Angela Agresti, Julia Eisen and Anna Schmoker enjoy an afternoon together.

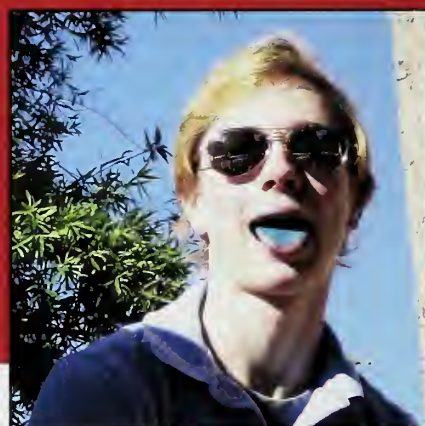
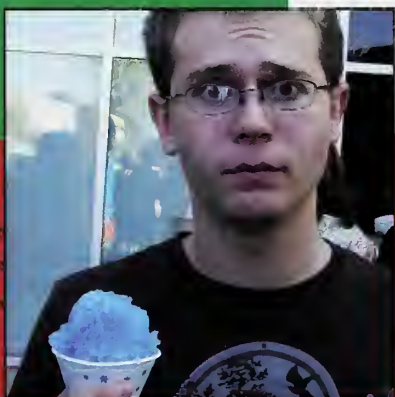


Laura Chachich dips her hand in wax in order to preserve her memories of Fall Fest.



Kelsey Dickerson shows off her mad climbing skills.

Adam Greifinger
is worried his
snowcone will melt.



Kyle Davis displays his colorful tongue.

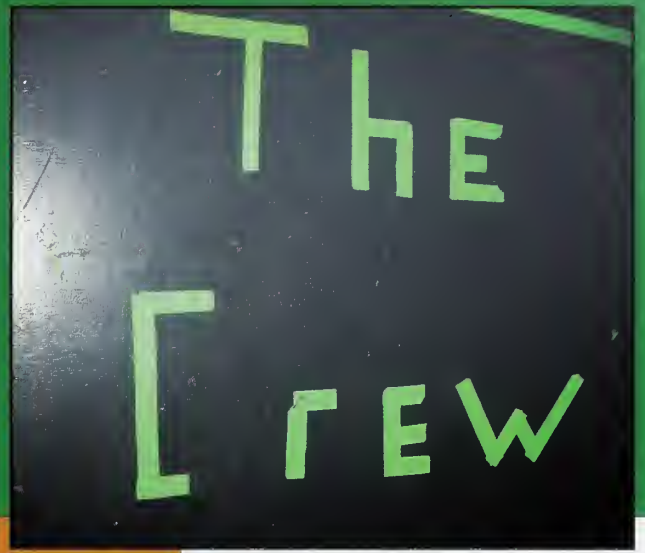


NCSA enjoys the upbeat sounds of the band, Skinny.

the crew

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The Crew was created by Judson Fraley, the Assistant Director of Student Activities, during Winter Term 2007. It was created in order to provide students with the opportunity to get involved in the planning of their campus activities. The Crew helps to plan all of the major events for the year including Fall Fest, Froze Arts, Beaux Arts, and Prom. It is made up of those students who choose to volunteer their time.



Judson Fraley: 'Miss J' at Froze Arts.



Corey Dundee and Cody Hayman being crazy.



Ms. West and Lynn Nakazawa at the career fair.



The people who work hard to make THE CREW's ideas come to life.



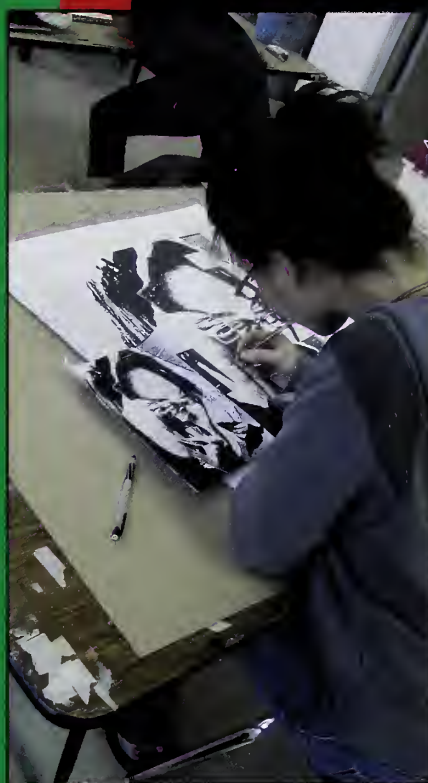
Judson Fraley and Sara Seger having fun as they set up for Fall Fest.

va mural



Intensive Arts for the VAI students meant slaving away in the studio from breakfast until curfew and bonding like never before. The first week was devoted to Design. They made a "facial improvisation" collage that entailed constructing a face out of other facial pieces or other non-human objects. They then made drawings of the design characters they created and translated the collages to paintings. Each student then painted on a tile that was part of a mural, which was worked on elbow-to-elbow in order to finish it by the deadline. The mural was hung in the hallway of fourth floor workplace.

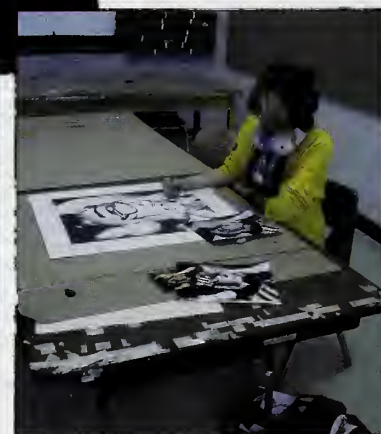
The second week was just as non-stop with three drawing projects, a stop-motion animation made with paper cutouts that they each got to shoot their own segment for, and two large-scale self-portraits, one of them manipulated in some way. According to the VAI students, creating such an abundance of high quality artwork in such a short time period was exhausting, but (paradoxically) invigorating.



Jeni Ray works on one of her pieces.



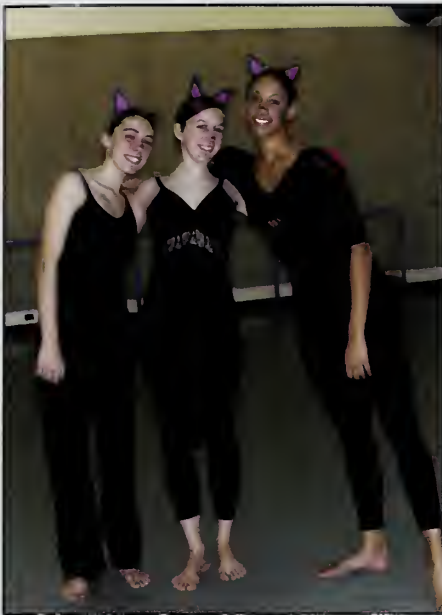
Jessica Oddono is hard at work.



Christine Meyer contemplates her work so far.

halloween

Boo! From goblins to princesses NCSA has its share of characters during the Halloween festivities. A much loved holiday by every department, Halloween serves as a time to further display creativity. In the dance building dancers are dressed up and munching on various cakes and candies. However, the dancers aren't the only ones enjoying a day of imagination. Whether it is a cool costume, eerie music, a mystical play, or a spine-chilling visual NCSA has it all! Although everyone may enjoy different aspects of Halloween we could all probably agree that the treats and Halloween dance make this holiday spooktacular!



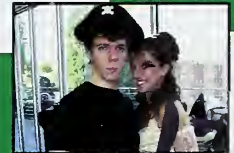
Aren't Anna Young, Amy Falls, and Allison Adnet the cat's meow?!



B2 and their dynamic duo theme for Halloween!



Brittany Bailey does her dino dance.



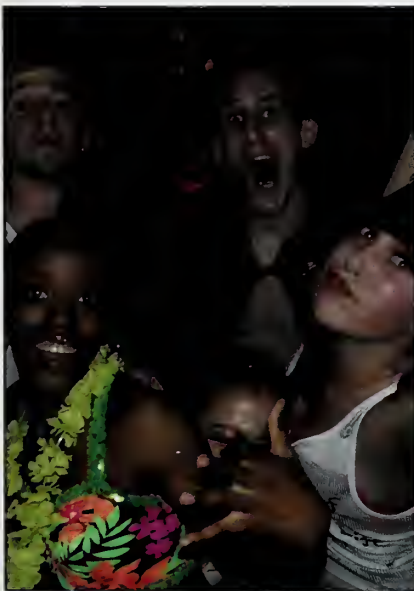
Arg! John Pratt and Brittany Butler are such cute pirates!



is that the Disney Channel or level B6?



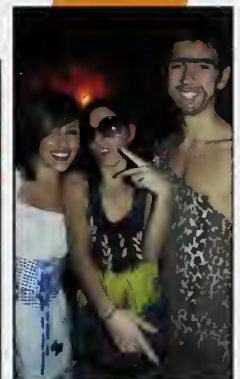
Lindsey Mandolini, Tessa Blackman, Reagan Sehring, and Emily Igoe party the night away!



Corey Grunenberg, Kelsey Dickerson, Matt Foley, and Nattie Trogdon doin' some crazy moves!



B7 eats their treats outside of dance studio 608.



Ashley Rogers, Sloan Cobb, and Shane Urton chill out.

the chocolate festival

on the way to a perfectly chocolate day

On October 24, 2007 NCSA hosted its 2nd Annual Chocolate Festival. All the proceeds from this event went to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation (North Carolina Triad Affiliate). The Susan G. Komen Foundation was founded by Nancy G. Brinker in 1982. The mission of this non-profit organization is to eliminate breast cancer as a life-threatening disease by advancing research, education, screening and treatment of the disease. This year at NCSA, Sarah Buchanan, High School Hall Counselor, and Julie Larsen, College Area Coordinator worked hard to bring this amazing event to life.

Sarah Buchanan had a lot to say about her experience planning the event. "Our first step was to solicit support from the school and community. This event would not have been possible without our student volunteers. Our second step was to get donations from the community. We requested area businesses to donate chocolate goodies for the actual festival, gift certificates, and items from their store were given as raffle or silent auction items. Julie and I spent hours on the phone and traveling to area vendors to get enough donations to host the festival. The night before the event we spent hours transforming Eisenberg Social Hall into a chocolate wonderland highlighted in brown and pink. I was thrilled when the event finally arrived. It went smoothly and was a blast to attend. Students and faculty were able to enjoy the chocolate treats and contribute to the cause. The event raised \$2,600! What an amazing experience to be involved in - finding 'a sweet way for the cure.'"

This year was only the second year and the NCSA community hopes to continue the tradition and to help fight "for the cure."



Sarah Buchanan and Julie Larsen, working at the Chocolate Festival.



Kaylin Davison and Melissa Brown, Resident Hall Counselor, work a table together..



Shelly Zeiser collects chocolate to enjoy later!



Mikella Bryant and Elizabeth Roach pause to take a picture while helping out.



Ryan Page shows his excitement while viewing the rehearsal schedule and cast lists for Fall Dance.



Matt Foley and Brittany Bailey perform Brenda Daniel's 'Chaconne'.



The newly renovated deMille Theatre is ready for the opening show of Fall Dance.

fall dance

Students, faculty, parents and supporters of the school piled into the newly renovated Agnes de Mille Theatre. They were eagerly awaiting a glimpse of the modern dance department's production of Fall Dance. The lights faded and all eyes were focused on the stage being presented. The performance was shown three times this year from September 13 to 17.

The campus night performance was held after a weekend full dress rehearsals and it was astounding. Technical lighting design and well organized stage management was evidently present. The show consisted of five unique pieces, including three from faculty members Dianne Markham, Brenda Daniels, and Trish Casey. Guest artists Ivy Baldwin and Daniel Clifton also made clear statements through their original works of 'Could Be Nice....' and 'I Thought This was About Me'. It was a production of much collaboration from the Dance Costume Shop to the live music presented on stage.

Each evening was magical with upbeat movement, poignant images, innovative gestures, and unpredictable uses of vocalization and props. The large supportive crowds were a wonderful pay off for the eight tiresome weeks of creation and preparation. Fall Dance 2007 certainly did great justice for the dance department's reigning history of innovative productions.



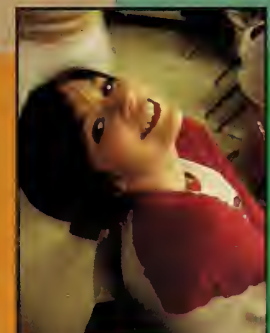
Dancers warm up before rehearsal.



Dancers watch the first showing of Ivy Baldwin's piece.



The duet from 'Out of the Blue' dances on stage.



Cherie Boyer waits to perform Daniel Clifton's piece.

orchestra concert



Concerto competition winner Geoff Seelen performing the Tomasi concerto.



Maestro Wilson shares with the audience the history behind one of the pieces.



The orchestra stands for the final applause.

This concert was the debut of Ranson Wilson as Music Director of the NCSA Symphony Orchestra. Concerto competition winners Whitney Reagan and Geoffrey Seelen performed concertos by Carl Nielsen and Henri Tomasi. Maestro Wilson led the orchestra in three celebratory works: Aaron Jay Kernis's "New Era Dance," Maurice Ravel's Rapsodie Espagnole and Bolero.



Therese Slatter and stand partner, Will Davis during the performance.



Darryl Black enjoys his break during intermission.



Hannah Lee concentrates hard during the performance.



Owen Broder came out to support his friends.

commuter lot

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Even though North Carolina School of the Arts prides itself in being a conservatory that houses kids from all around the world, 20 percent of the high school student population are commuters. These students are fortunate enough to live in surrounding towns such as High Point, Kernersville and Winston Salem. But no matter how great it may seem to be a commuter, we all consider NCSA our home away from home.



View of the commuter parking lot.



Sterling King and Bryony McCullough have fun together outside of school.



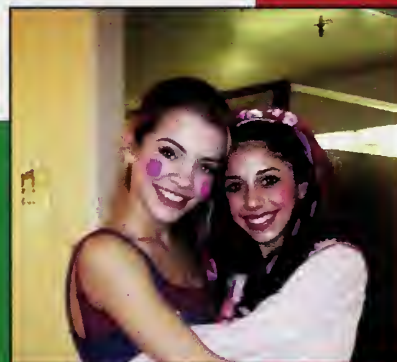
Delaney Wing and Kayleigh Danowski show off their homemade cookies.



Cami Bevell, Angela Agresti, Sara Hauhuth and Sara Bunemann enjoy a car ride to school.



The entrance to the Commuter Parking Lot.



Sara Devinney and Tina Laforgia wish each other good luck before a show.

"By being a commuter, you get a little of both atmospheres. It's nice to go home at night and have a home cooked meal and see your family. But I also like coming to school and hanging out with my friends who live in the dorms."

-Claire Kretzschmar

"It's lovely to be at school during the day and head to home sweet home at night. You get the on-campus life while still being with family."

-Kelly Porter

Chiara von der Goltz, and Kern Lowe hand out programs in front of the theater.



Jamar Williams, Samip Raval, and Wells Albritton take a moment to think.



Scott Nicholson, Keith Hair, and Eliza Bagg grab a bite to eat.



Celina Chapin, Wells Albritton, Scott Nicholson, Paloma Garcia-Lee, and Austin Boykin take a bow at the end of their first fall performance, Act Ones.

Passion is defined in many ways; however, when you feel the world come alive inside yourself you know you have truly experienced what passion. Most of the drama students feel exactly that way when they act. These students have put their all into establishing the person they are today. All of the drama students hope to understand the true meaning of acting, which is why they chose NCSA as their new home. Paloma Garcia-Lee said, "I have found a true passion for acting because it allows me to extend myself beyond the present and enables me to create imaginary truth. It allows me to magnify and be alive and honest in a given circumstance. It is my intent to acquire a deep and perpetual understanding the craft." During the fall term the drama students performed in the theatre they were the first NCSA High School Drama students to perform in a theater as a group. These 19 seniors take classes everyday that include singing, modern, jazz, circus, yoga, Thai chi, acting, stage combat and many more. They spend their days in and out of rehearsals, and their nights wide awake finishing their school work.



Thomas Rowell and Eliza Bagg, two good friends.



Keith Hair, and Samip Raval smile for the camera.



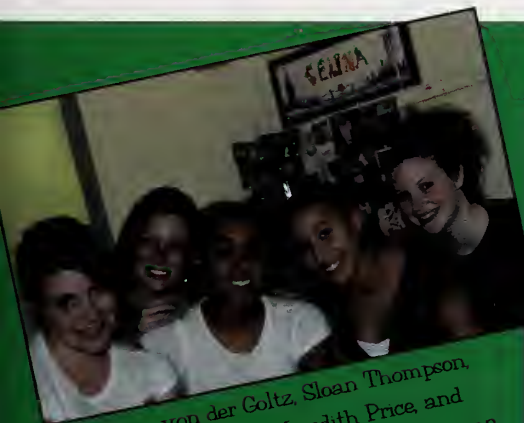
Celina Chapin, Micheala Morton, Paloma Garcia-Lee, Sloan Thompson, and Laura Hall strike a pose from a scene.

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All 19 Drama students come together before performing their monologues in the connector.



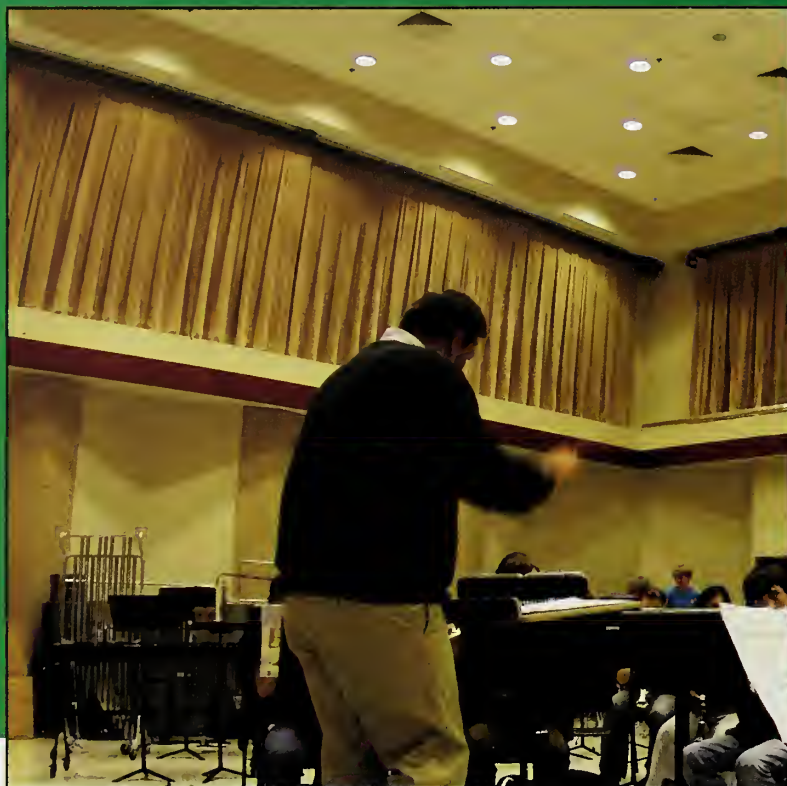
Chiara von der Goltz, Sloan Thompson, Suzanne Blunk, Meredith Price, and Maddy Trinwith pull an all night drama girls party in the dorm.



The drama students bond during field day.



Laura Hall, Jamar Williams, Noah Daulton, and Austin Boykin spend some free time together.



Mr. Norman conducts the Wind Ensemble during a rehearsal.

Mark Norman is the conductor for the NCSA wind ensemble, as well as the UNC Greensboro University Band, and the Greensboro Concert Band. He is in the international-award winning quartet, Tubas in the Sun, that travels in the U.S. and abroad.

During Intensive Arts the Wind Ensemble went on tour throughout North Carolina and played pieces by Eric Whitacre, Dan Welch, and Donald Grantham. Faculty artist, Taimer Sullivan was guest saxophonist in the Carnival of Venice.

wind ensemble



Zach Denning and Christian Gray play their basses in rehearsal.



Abigail Clark plays her flute.

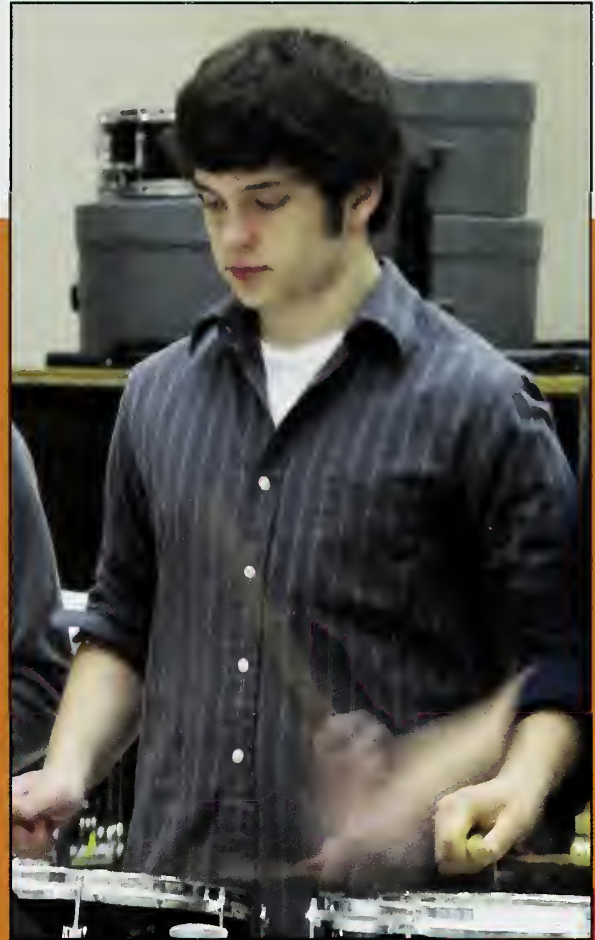


George Marshall plays the French horn.

percussion ensemble

The percussion ensemble has performed at a wide variety of places, including the Outerbanks at the Festival Park in Manteo. Many graduates of the percussion program at NCSA have been accepted to Curtis, Eastman, Julliard, Yale, Princeton, and many other top music programs in the country. Summer programs they have been accepted to include, Julliard, Brevard, Tanglewood and Interlochen.

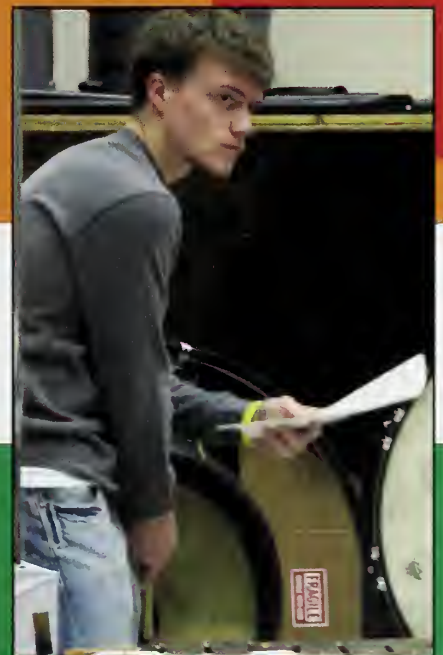
The director for the percussion ensemble is John Beck. Before coming to NCSA he served as faculty at the University of Utah, Colorado, Nevada and Florida State. As a former member of the United States Marine Band, he toured as a xylophone soloist. He also toured as a soloist with the Jack Daniel's Cornet Band and the New Sousa Band. He released a CD in 2004 called Equilibrium Shared Spaces.



Christopher Gelb plays a version of the snare drum in rehearsal.



The Percussion Ensemble: Nate Tucker, Caleb Hoffman, Chase Salmons, Christopher Gelb, Kyle Duppestadt, Scott O'Toole.



Chase Salmons plays the gong in rehearsal.



Cleo Ledet, Ali Block, Lydia McRae, Angela Agresti, and Ashley Hathaway wolf down stacks of pancakes topped with cherries, whipped cream and chocolate syrup.



Shelly Zeiser, Mac Hopper, Chris Wiesenberger and Kaylin Davison eagerly await their ticket stub numbers to be drawn in the raffle.

The first pancake study break of the year boasted a huge turnout with hungry students exhausted after long hours of reviewing for the first trimester's final exams. When asked how long he had been studying, Will Davis answered looking confused, "Studying for what?" Conversely, Alia Roberts, another attendee said, "It's just great to let loose and indulge in everything that is carbs and chocolate. After writing seven pages in two hours about how we are all doomed to die or suffer because of our tragic flaws for the AP English exam, good pancakes are a godsend."

Students treated themselves to stacks of pancakes as they were entertained by games of bingo and free raffle drawings with prizes including animal blankets, chocolate figurines and gift cards.



Ryan Wineger and Kyle Dupstadt enjoy a relaxing conversation during their study break.

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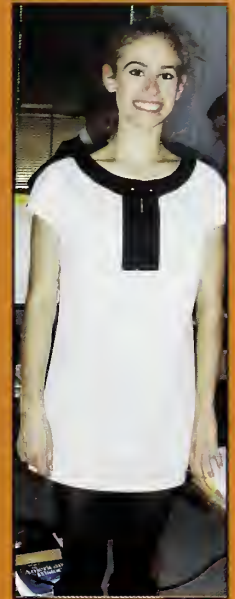
spirit week

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School Spirit. Some schools have it, others don't. Fortunately, NCSA is full of school spirit. The Pickles devoted an entire week to showing their school spirit: LOUDLY and PROUDLY. The week started off with Monday as "Gender Switch Day," the girls dressed up as guys, and the guys dressed up as girls. Quite successful, it was a big hit with many of the participants. Tuesday was "Twin Day," and Wednesday was "Random Act of Kindness Day" where students showed compassion while helping others out! By opening doors, picking up trash, and simply giving a friendly smile, Pickles made the world a brighter place to be. Thursday was "Decade Day," and Friday, was "Pickle Pride Day." Many students showed up in Pickle green or their favorite Pickle apparel. Spirit week coordinator Jameesa Yarborough made a comment about the week as a whole. "It was nice to see the school spirit, but still see everyone's individual personality." Spirit week just goes to show that NCSA students have school spirit and aren't afraid to show it!



Ryan Page and Katie Leigh on Gender Switch Day.



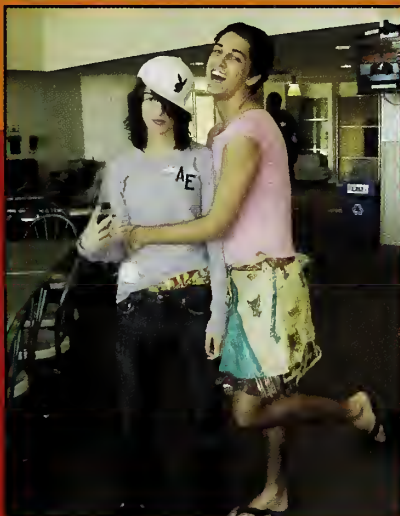
Samantha Miller dresses as Twiggy on Decade Day



Musette Strong and Jacob Ivins switch roles on Gender Switch Day.



Jasmine, Candy, Natalie, Lindsey, and Samantha show their Pickle Pride on Friday!



Lindsey Mandolini and Cedric Stapleton are active participants on Gender Switch Day.

Emily Bannerman,
Shelly Zeiser
Kelly Mackie
Jacob Ivins,
Drew Comstock,
Paul Whitman,
Samantha Miller,
Adam Greifinger, and
Michael Clark
gather for a photo on
Gender Switch Day.



dance workshop



Elizabeth Lloyd, Catherine Fowle, Kiera James, Delaney Wing, and Brittany Bennett in a piece staged by Fanchon Cordell.



Lila Thornton, Rae Nickerson, and Lindsey Stevens prepare for a piroquette.



Seve Foster and Alysha Perrin in Motorbase choreographed by Diane Markham.



Emily Wolfe, Kirsti Riehle, Hannah Weeks, Kayleigh Danowski, and Grayson Driver in a dance choreographed by Anna Marie Holmes.



Brittany Bailey, Courtney Lopes, and Lila Thornton working it out in Kentrell Newton's hip hop dance.

Students in all levels worked hard for two weeks during intensive arts. They all learned different pieces choreographed and staged by one of their teachers. On the very last day, they performed the different pieces they had learned in DeMille Theatre. There were many types of dancing including modern, ballet, and hip hop. This performance was the final turns and leaps of the fall term.



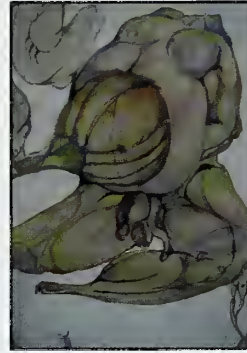
Tessa Blackman, Calleja Smiley, and Jordan Anders in a piece staged by Nina Danilova.



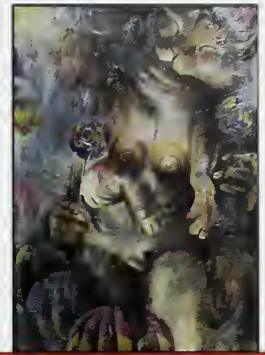
Aaron Pennington's panel.



Charles Peele designed this panel.



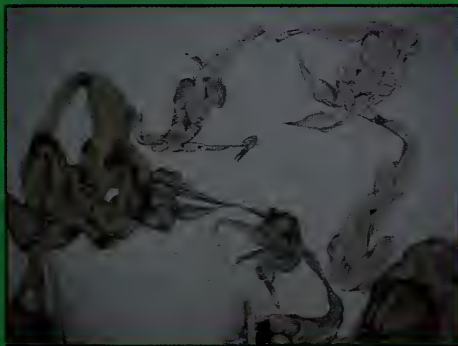
A close up of Jing Niu's work.



Jocelyn Edwards was inspired to create this piece of work.



The VA II class gathers on the fourth floor for a group photo.



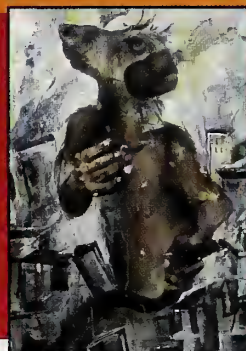
Jing Niu's hard work paid off.

During the last week of fall term, each qualifying VA II student installed his or her semester's work from all three visual arts classes on one wall of the gallery. The work, otherwise known as VA II Panels, was installed for critique by all three visual arts instructors. During the demanding and exhausting final weeks before Thanksgiving break, VA II's can be seen dragging their book bags and toolboxes half conscious around the academic hallways. The pressure is on- these dedicated students push to finalize their work for the highly personal critique session with their peers and VA teachers. This is the final assignment based work before total freedom during Intensive Arts. It is also the first presentation of their personal work to the public. Will they make it? Will they survive Panels and emerge from the gallery walls successful? Only the critiques will tell.

va II panels



Hannah Reed presented this piece at panels.



This panel was created by Jocelyn Edwards.



This is a close up view of Jing Niu's panel.



Kyle Davis and Claire Kretzschmar
in Pink Pas.



Claire Kretzschmar dances as the
Sugar Plum Fairy with the angels.



Amy Saunder and Adam Chavis
in Snow Pas.

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Cody Hayman
and BJ Morgan
dance Russian.



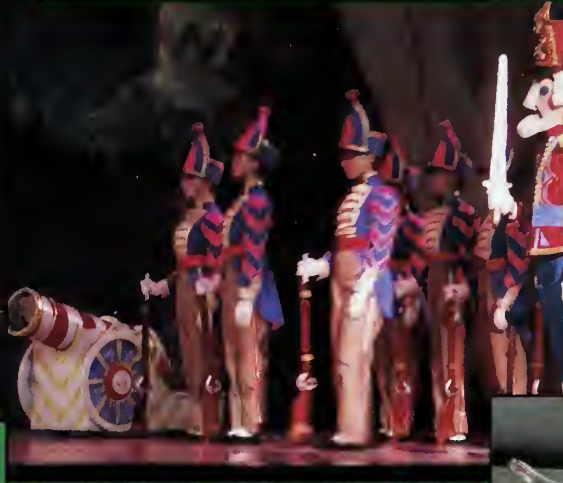
Sterling King, Sara Hauhuth, Bryony McCullough and
Angela Agresti dance in the Waltz of the Flowers.



Sara DeVinney and Tyler Sandborn watch
Josh Sains-Corn perform Chinese.



Mother Ginger introduces her children.



Soldiers are prepared for battle against the Mouse King.

Michele Saruwatari and Mark Tucker rehearse Snow Pas.



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Zoe Lewis performs Arabian.



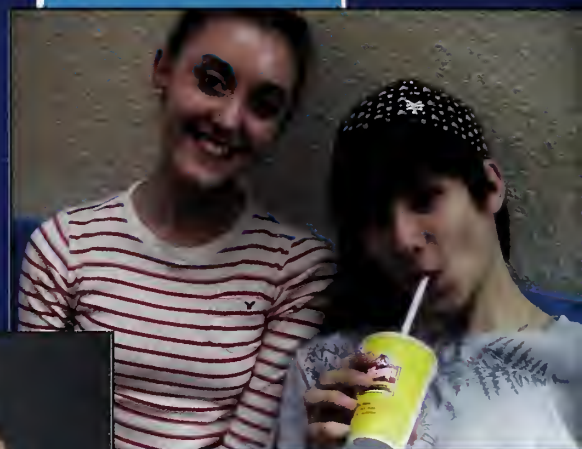
Spencer Badesch and Lydia McRae dance in Spanish.

Maybe NCSA didn't see a White Christmas but the role of Clara, performed by High School Freshman, ballet dancer Sara DeVinney, saw one on campus night. It seemed like the entire school came out to the Steven's Center to cheer on their friends in the production of the Nutcracker. As the house lights darkened and the first musical note sliced through the silence of anticipation, the crowd went wild with excitement for the much talked about winter tradition, for the magic of The Nutcracker.

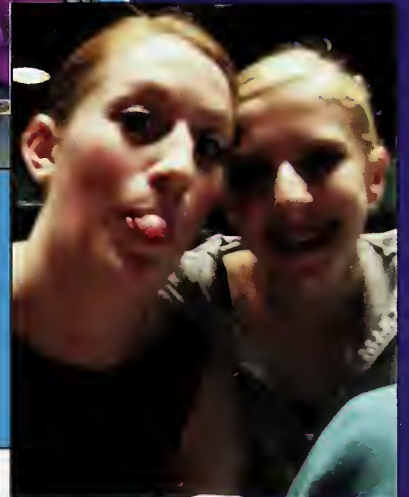
The dancers wowed the audience with their technique and artistry, as the impressive sets and lavish costumes complemented their talent for a brilliant sight. Each year, NCSA ballet students devote many months to Nutcracker rehearsals. Saturday mornings and Friday nights are spent in studio A as every "bunhead" prepares for her shining moment on stage. As always, hard work and dedication paid off.

Nutcracker 2007 was a resounding success. The "snowflakes" flurried with delicacy, the "Russian" men soared excitingly high, the "Chinese" dancers jumped and twirled with life and energy and those who played the part of the flowers fluttered about with grace. After fourteen exciting and excellent performances, the Nutcracker cast and crew gathered on stage in celebration of Mr. Lindgren's birthday and the end of Nutcracker season. All the dancers were pleased with their efforts and the audiences were certainly beside themselves with delight.

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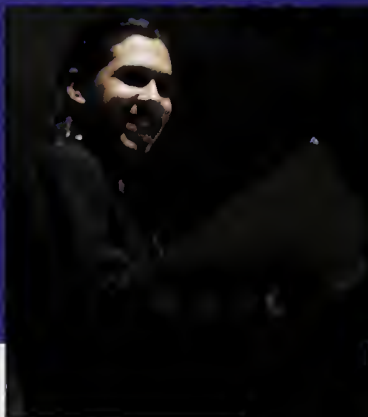
"la voce" (the voice)



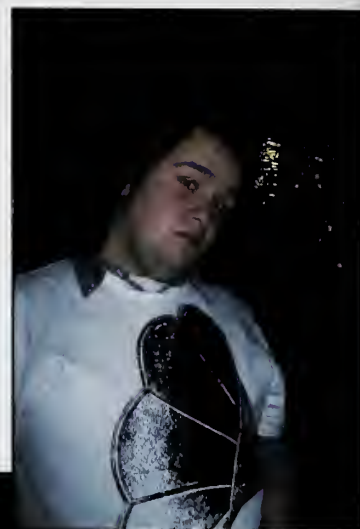
From Left: Becca Blank, Chris Wiesenberger, Jasmine Wilson, Jemeesa Yarborough, Zach Ed, Eli Church

This year has been exciting for voice students! The high school vocalists have been able to participate in some amazing concerts with the NCSA Cantata Singers. In the fall the Cantata Singers sang Anthony Iannaccone's Chautauqua Psalms with composer Anthony Iannaccone present. During winter term high school vocalists were able to appear in Dvorak's The Devil And Kate and sang Verdi's Requiem with the Winston-Salem Symphony. Winter Term's Verdi's Requiem received great reviews and was "a fun and exciting experience for all of the vocalists." In the spring term some high school vocalists will appear in Kurt Wiel's Street Scene. They will also appear in the final Cantata Singers concert. The young voices at NCSA are working hard this year and are "glad to be heard."

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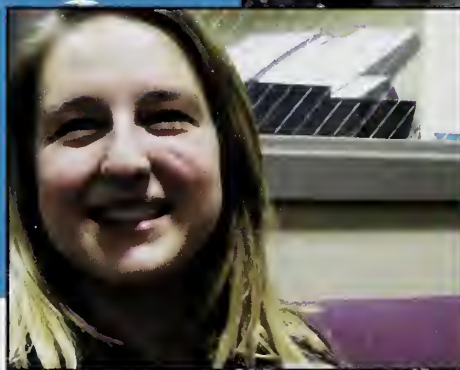


Thomas Patrick Hughes



Zachary Eley-Durbin

soprano



Rebecca (Becca) Blank

tenor

Jemeesa Yarborough

mezzo-soprano



Christopher Wiesenberger

Elizabeth (Eli) Church



Hannah Darrah took this picture to show how the ball accelerates as Courtney Lopes drops it.



Chris Moran chose to represent who he is in this picture.

Jennifer Jeong took this picture to show gravity's effect on the rain drops.



Corey Dundee took different magnitudes of velocity and time exposure during flight, a picture with a jet airplane and a car.



Corey Dundee uses a nerf gun and a paper bullet to show increasing velocity.



Jameesa Yarborough depicts Newton's Third Law in this picture for every force there is an equal and opposite force.

physics picture project

One new academic project this year was the Year-Long Physics Picture Project assigned by Ms. Whitworth. For this project students were required to take a picture of something representing a major concept they had learned after the completion of each unit. The picture could have been taken from real life or it could have been a staged scenario. Acceleration, velocity, projectiles, energy and centripetal force were some of the topics students learned about and took pictures of. There is an online contest for physics pictures and because of the creativity of some photos Ms. Whitworth thinks some of her students have a great chance of winning. Along with taking a picture, an essay had to be written about the photo explaining its' significance. "I really like this project," said Jemeesa Yarborough. "It allows us to take what we learn in Physics and apply it to our world. Not many projects are so applicable to real life." It is the first year Ms. Whitworth has assigned the project. It seems to be going very well, and as far as everyone can tell, it will continue on in years to come!



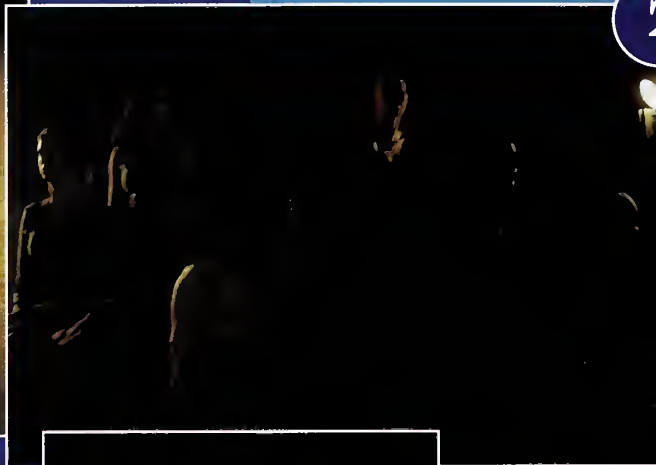
Jane Harris shows acceleration and changing velocity from the inside of an airplane.

the chameleon cabaret

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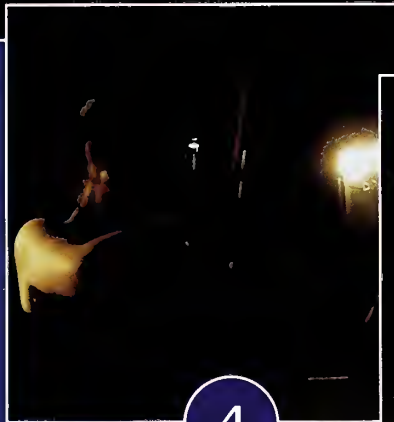
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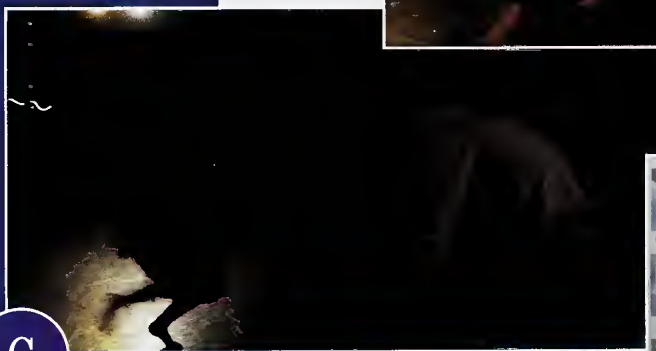
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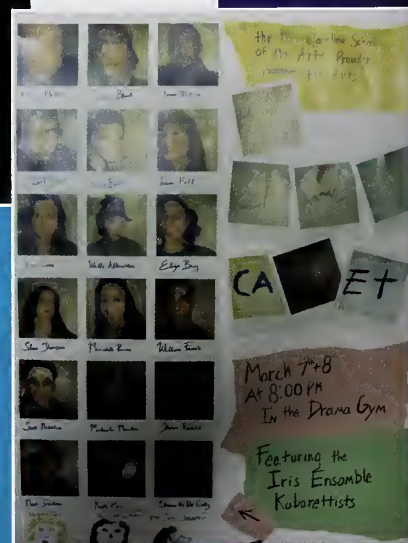
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Soon after the Chicago trip, the high school drama students, also known as the Iris Ensemble, were given a new assignment. The director of the group, Kelly Maxner, informed the students they were to produce a cabaret for the end of winter term. The objective was to pursue works that reached beyond the limitations of drama students. It was a spectacular evening of music, movement, video presentation, academic achievement, and visual craftsmanship. The show was presented in the Drama Gym on the 7th and 8th of March. Both nights were complete sell outs. The Iris Ensemble certainly amazed the school with their incredible talent and innovation and the cabaret was a success!

1. Jamar Williams- 'Strange Fruit'
2. All of the Drama girls- 'We Haven't Begun To Live' by Gerald Freedman and John Morris
3. Keith Hair and Kerri Lowe- 'Weird' by Menomena
4. Eliza Bagg- 'Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso' by Camille Saint-Saens
5. Paloma Garcia-Lee- 'Adam'
6. Michaela Morton, Thomas Rowell, and Eliza Bagg- 'Opus 110' by Beethoven

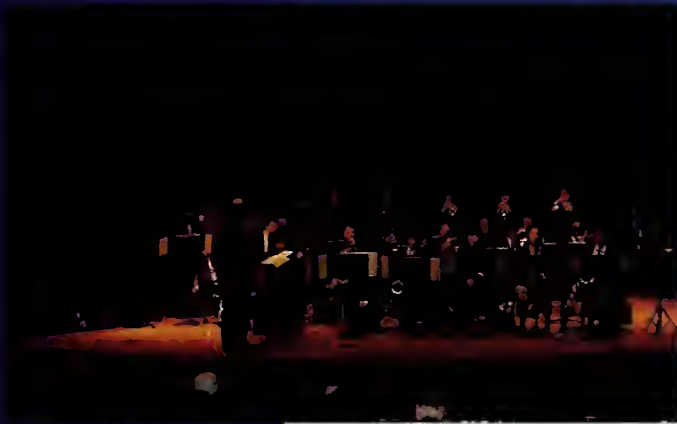


jazz ensemble



the saxophone.

Ron Rudkin is the director of the Jazz Ensemble. He plays saxophone, clarinet, and flute. He is also the director of the Jazz Program and is the instructor for Music Theory here at NCSA. Mr. Rudkin received his undergraduate degree from East Carolina University and then received his master's degree from the University of Michigan. The Jazz Ensemble performs for jazz festivals, public schools, and many other places around North Carolina. In addition to traveling to other places for performances, the Jazz Ensemble does one performance each term at NCSA. This year Corey Dundee, Owen Broder, and Annalise Stalls were the only high school students in Jazz Ensemble.



The Jazz Ensemble plays in Manteo during the



Annalise Stalls plays well during her solo.



drama

chicago trip

The Drama class is full of seniors wondering what their future may hold. As we all know senior year is a very important year and even more important at NCSA. Here it could mean the beginning of a dance career with a major company, or an internship with an amazing sculpture artist, or acceptance to a well-known conservatory, or even entrance to a prestigious college. A senior year at NCSA can impact the future of a student significantly. The Drama seniors are given an amazing opportunity to audition for the major Drama conservatories and colleges who are recruiting new applicants in Chicago. The class prepares long in advance for this exciting yet nerve-wracking experience. After many weeks and hours of perfecting their monologues and songs, they pack up their bags, board the bus, and head to Chicago. Even though their time there can determine a lot about their future and be incredibly stressful, they still manage to have a blast and take in all of Chicago! Who knows, the next star could be among them!



The drama class of 2008 travels together to achieve their future ambitions!



Jamar Williams, Scott Nicholson and Austin Boykin enjoy their evening with teacher, Kelly Maxner.



Wells Albritton, Kerri Lowe and Meredith Price get focused while practicing their monologues.



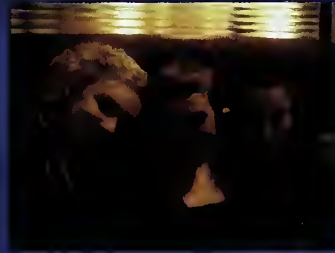
A group gathers on a cold Chicago night.



Enjoying the city life of Chi-Town.



After a long hard day of work, Thomas Rowell and Samip Raval simmer down for a power nap.



Paloma Garcia-Lee, Laura Hall and Michaela Morton enjoy a lovely dinner.



Chicago had a lot of good food - they can't decide what to eat!



The ice cream was heavenly!



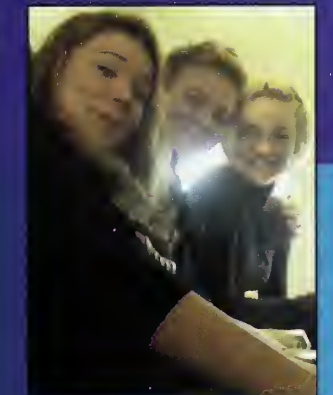
Another adventure out in the cold.



Austin Boykin and Madelyn Trinwith are excited they survived the hectic week!



Suzanne Blunk poses next to Buddha at an art museum the group visited.



After many airport delays this tired trio finally gets on the plane!

kudzu gazette



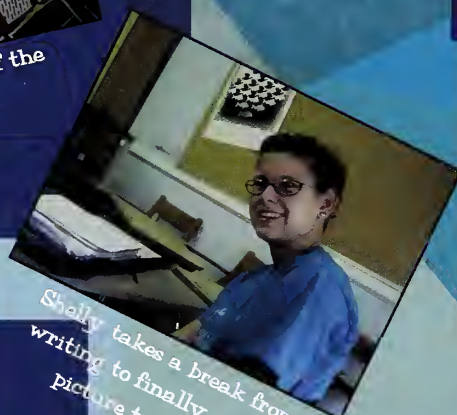
One of the articles from an issue of the Kudzu Gazette.



Will Davis represents the high school body as the paper's Editor-in-Chief.



Barri DeFrancisci shows off the team's finished work.



Shelly takes a break from writing to finally get her picture taken too!



Katherine Mount gets a close-up for her next article.



Will Davis, Katherine Mount, and Alyssa Ferrin brainstorm article ideas.

The Kudzu Gazette, run primarily by high school student Will Davis, is composed of a small team of dedicated students whose collective efforts provide NCSA with a monthly newspaper. Within the paper you can find interesting and detailed articles about current events on and off campus, interviews of faculty members and guest artists, and a list of upcoming school productions and functions. The Kudzu Gazette also allows the public and alumni to keep updated with the exciting news of the school and for present students to follow previous students' who have ventured off into professional jobs.

Mara Driscoll,
pastes puzzle
pieces onto the
collage.

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The whole class works together to put
the last touches on the collage.

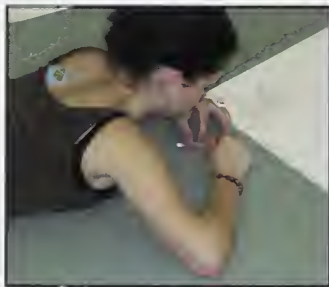


the holocaust project

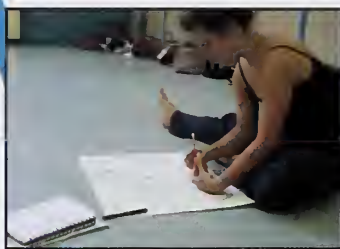
The Holocaust is a very important part of World History. The students in World Cultural History this year were asked to create a collage of pictures that tell the story of the Holocaust. The class chose to express the holocaust with a huge collection of photographs from life before the holocaust that culminate in a black puzzle of hateful terms. The finished project was put on display in Performance Place. Ms. Lynda Moss, World Cultural History teacher, will also be taking this piece of art to a teacher's conference in March.



Germaine Persinger, Qiudi Zhang and
Julia Eisen help put the finishing
touches on the project.



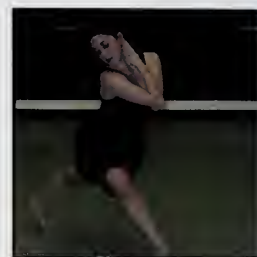
Brittany Bailey studies her partita shell.



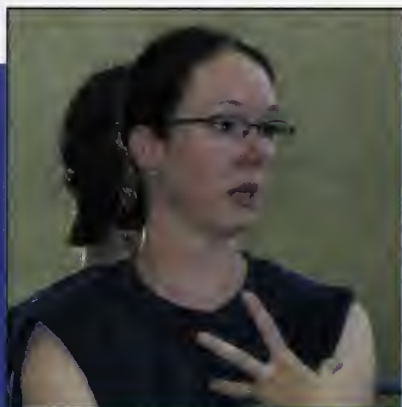
Hannah Darrah diligently works on the drawing of her partita shell, a requirement for all of the M3s.



Cherie Boyer rehearses her beautiful, fast partita by holding this intriguing ending shape.



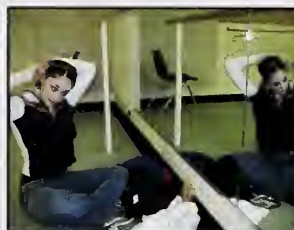
Natty Trogon shows us a pose from her adagio.



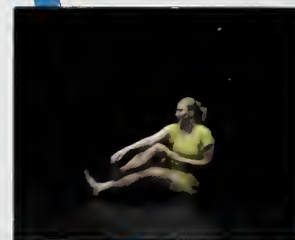
Brenda Daniels facilitates the partita process.

Twelve years ago Brenda Daniels started a two term composition assignment for all second year modern dance students. The partita is one of the modern student's greatest sources of pride and accomplishment. It is during this assignment that students experiment with choreographing to music. The partita is a self choreographed solo that has two parts: an allegro and an adagio. The partita is inspired by a seashell that is hand-picked for every student by Brenda. Once the students have created a phrase inspired by their seashell, the phrase is cut into 12/3's which is their theme and from their theme the whole allegro section becomes a master piece. Next, is the adagio section which is created by going back to the shell and creating 6 poses. From the six poses, the adagio is created by connecting them together and thus the partita is finished - except, of course, for the performing part! After the partita is complete the students have two nights to show off their incredible work. Even though everyone dances to the same music, written by Bach, no partita is the same, every student has a unique and self-created partita.

partitas



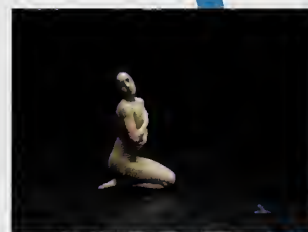
Alysha Perrin gets ready to show her partita which is fast as lighting.



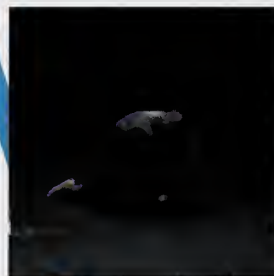
Mikella Bryant is shows her beautiful but crafty partita.



Ali Roberts is shows off her fabulous motif.



Elizabeth Roach performs the adagio section of her partita during the showing.



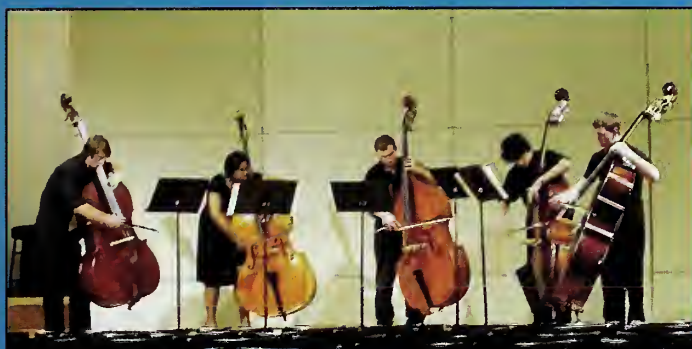
Steve Foster is in his opening pose.



Bindhu Pamarthi performs her fabulous and delicate partita.

chamber music

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The NCSA Double Bass Quintet (including Zach Denning, Christian Gray, and Tyler Dease) performs "Bass Band Beat" by Tony Osborne.



Felix Chen, Alex St. Angelo, Thomas McShane, and Drew Comstock perform "Anime et tres decide" from Claude Debussy's Quartet in g minor, Op. 10.



Annie Jeong and Therese Slatter perform with their quintet Allegro vivace from the Viola Quintet No. 2 in B Flat Major, Op. 87 by Felix Mendelssohn.

Every year, NCSA's string chamber groups perform pieces of music they have been working on during winter term. This performance is an opportunity for the groups to show off their hard work for their professors, fellow musicians, and friends. The time the musicians put into their work was evident by their beautiful playing. The sonorous melodies of the violins, violas, cellos and basses filled Crawford Hall with glory. With winter term being so filled with activity, it is amazing that these chamber groups had the time they needed to rehearse and perfect their music for this astounding performance. Pieces performed were not easy; composers such as Mendelssohn, Strauss, and Osborne are intricate and detailed. These amazing musicians left their audience in awe.



Hannah Lee performs two movements from Felix Mendelssohn's Quartet in e flat minor, No. 1, Op. 12 with her quartet.



Orin Laursen performs a movement from Richard Strauss's Piano Quartet in c minor, Op. 13 with his quartet.

ladies in arts



Front row L to R: Julia Boyes, Laura Chachich, Elizabeth Roach, and Nakita Green
Back row L to R: Jasmine Wilson, Carrie Petrak, Kirsti Riehle, Shelley Zeiser, Chloe Aiello, Chelsea Langevin, and Barri DeFrancisci

Ladies in Arts is a relatively new committee on campus. It is in its second year of active duty. The group was founded by a graduate of the drama class of 2007, Crashanda Edwards. The mission of LIA is to bring ladies from different backgrounds together and to develop young ladies in the arts of today into women of the future. This goal is obtained through service projects, leadership development, communication, and overall humanity.

This year LIA has been active on the NCSA campus and in the community. They were a key part in the Ms. NCSA Pageant, and the Chocolate Festival. They visited the Ronald McDonald House, and Miss Pumpkin's Bakery. They even worked with Habitat for Humanity in October.

The ladies of LIA have only one wish. They would like to "continue to help their community for years to come."



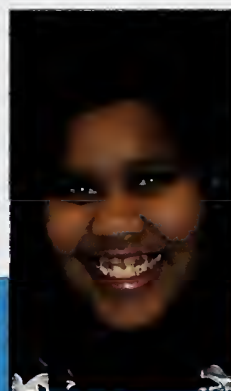
Chloe Aiello and Jasmine Wilson volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House.



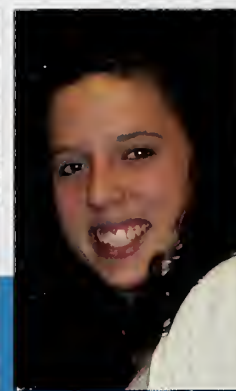
Chelsea Langevin and Samantha Miller help hammer the ceiling on a Habitat for Humanity home. Kelsey Lee stands in the background ready to help.



Bindhu Pamarthi
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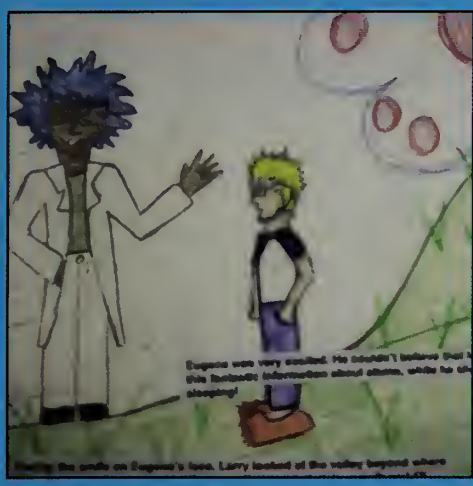


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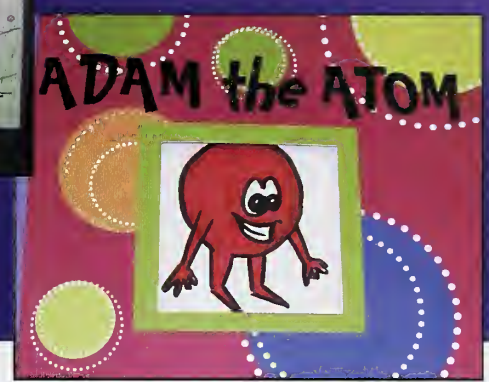
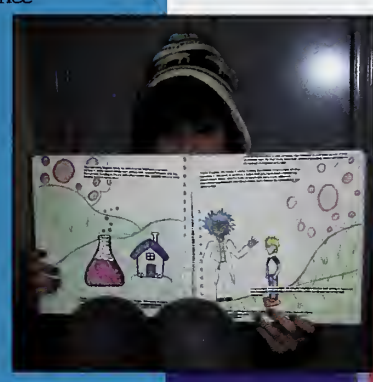
Alexandra Orenstein
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Eugene was very excited. He couldn't believe that he was going to learn all this fantastic information about atoms!!

-Excerpt from Aubrey Busek's book, In the Land of Science



Title page from Reagan Sehring's Adam the Atom.

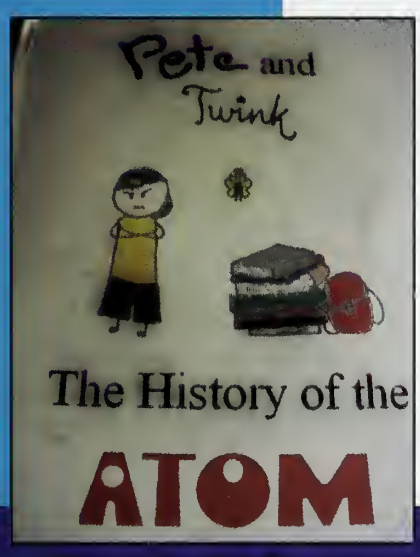


An illustration of Robert Millikan's experiment from Jessica Oddono's book.

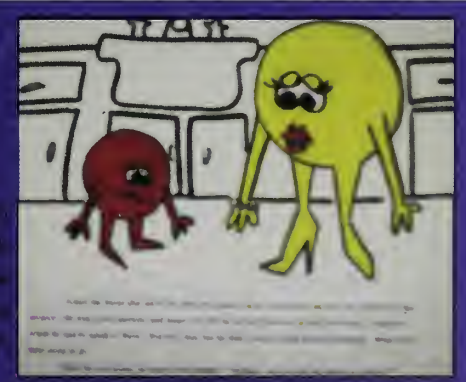
Ms. Whitworth's Chemistry Students spent their Christmas Break researching, cutting, pasting and drawing. The assignment was to make a children's book on the reading level of a 3rd to 5th grader about the history of the atom. The book had to include a list of scientists and their discoveries, a glossary and a bibliography of kid-friendly sites. Students were able to benefit from this experience not only intellectually but were also able to reconnect with their inner child.



The title illustration from Jessica Oddono's book, Life as an Atom.



Title page from Luke Thompson's The History of the Atom



the history of
the atom 101

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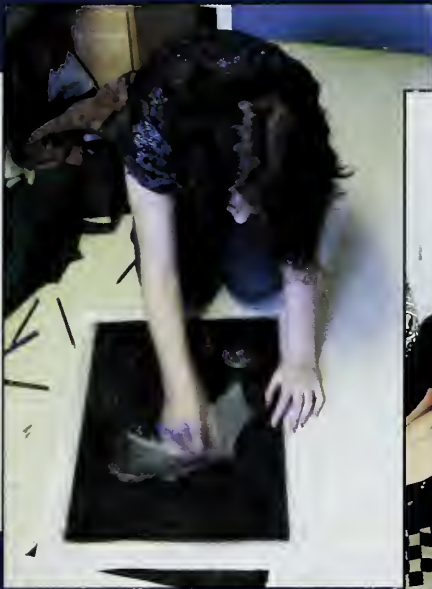


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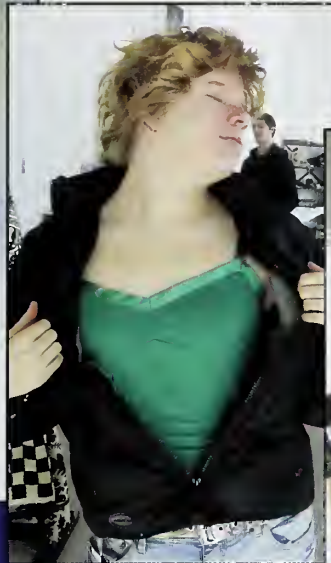
Senior year is a time when students all across the country start to pursue their goals for the future. It is a time when children step across the line that separates childhood from adulthood. Unlike students at other schools, seniors at NCSA endure the stressful college application and audition process for numerous colleges, conservatories, and companies in hopes of being admitted to the best program for their art. Many ballet dancers audition for companies such as Boston Ballet, Houston Ballet, American Ballet Theater, and other world-renowned companies and schools. Musicians record demos, Visual Artists prepare portfolios, and Drama students take an annual audition trip to Chicago in pursuit of furthering their artistic education. Many students also apply to various universities and liberal arts colleges in hopes of achieving their academic goals.

1. Owen Broder plays during a recording session for his demo.
2. Jemeesa Yarborough is excited to visit the Curtis School of Music.
3. Katie Leigh rehearses for her audition with Lines Ballet.
4. Paloma Garcia-Lee waits on an audition for West Side Story.
5. Barn DeFrancisci takes the academic route and visits Goucher College.
6. Elizabeth Roach studies hard for her SATs.
7. Mikella Bryant, Josh Sains-Corn, Michelle Samwatam, and Gray Reynolds pay close attention in class.

a day in the life of a va II



Emily Acheson-Adams works hard on her drawing for class.



Brianna Gribben acts crazy as always.



VA I's and VA II's clean up the studio after a long day.



After cleaning it's time for a...DANCE PARTY!!!



Emily Acheson-Adams starts her long day with a coffee.

VA II's live a very stressful life. It starts with breakfast and a coffee. They attend some academic courses then it's off to art classes and critiques. After a quick lunch, maybe a moment to relax and it's back to academics. After their last academic class they run for the studio and then stay to clean up and have a little fun with their friends. They grab some dinner and then settle in for the evening ahead - a night of staying up late as they try to finish three or more projects for their art teachers while also trying to complete homework for their academic teachers. A day in the life of a VA II - crazy, busy, and yet oh so WORTH IT!!



Justus Harris takes a break and zones out with his music.



Anna McKinsey goes through a critique of her work.

totally



Anna McKinsey, Ali Block, and Taya Ricker pose for a picture!

YOU

weekend



Alvaro Durango, Seve Foster, Elizabeth Roach, Cherie Boyer, and Joel Ballard enjoy eating dinner together.



Judson Fraley, Sara Seger, Lindsey Mandolini and Kalie Nattinger danced the night away.



Kalie Nattinger, Drew Comstock, Alex Orenstein, Terris Roberts, and Michael Clark "jamming" at the Pajama Jam.

February 15th and 16th celebrated NCSA's "Totally YOU Weekend." After the stress of midterms, juries, and Valentine's Day, students needed a fun weekend designated especially for their relaxation. The weekend started off with a "Pajama Jam" on Friday, February 15 in the connector building from 10:00pm to Midnight. There was great music and snacks that kept students "jamming" for a FUN two hours. Saturday night was the Valentine's Dinner. Students got dressed up and were treated to the delicious catering of The Olive Garden Restaurant. A band led by Owen Broder played in the background as friends and loved ones sat together to eat, talk, and in some cases, dance! In a school so busy, time is precious, and it was great that everyone could spend some quality moments together. The weekend was really successful and left students relaxed and ready for the rest of the term.



Barry DeFrancisci and Daniel Culpepper had a great time at the Valentine's Dinner.

Valentine's

The annual Valentine's Dinner took place in Eisenberg Hall on February 16th. The celebration of Valentine's Day continued throughout the week and was finished with a wonderful evening of dining. The work and collaboration of residence life and student activities made this year's dinner possible. Some students reserved seats, while other students volunteered to help prepare and clean up the event. This year's dinner was catered by Olive Garden. The meal included a variety of pastas, garlic breadsticks, salad, drinks, cream filled pastries and cheesecake bites. To top it all off, a group of NCSA students provided live jazz music for the evening. The Valentine's Dinner happened to be great success!

(Connector Building)

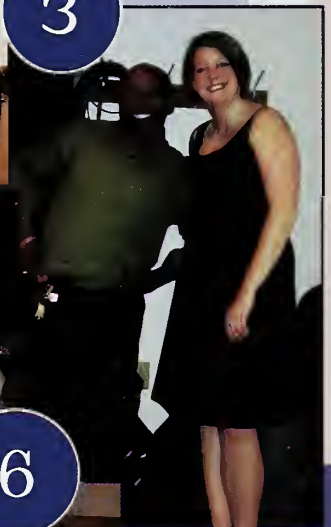
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1. Chene Boyes and Drew Comstock and Joel Peterson enjoy a night of dining together.
2. Olive Garden's band provided the evening with live jazz music.
3. Joel Peterson, Haley and Sarah Buchanan teamed up to organize the dinner.
4. Large groups of NCSA students filled the tables of Eisenberg Hall.
5. Brook Withrow, Sinead O'Dwyer, and Jenna Englert give a toast to St. Valentine.

6. Students from different art majors sit together and discuss life at NCSA.
7. Julia Boyes and Drew Comstock volunteer to serve salad.

winter dance



The Rubies sparkle before beginning their beautiful dance.



The dancers in Sean Sullivan's piece move with grace amongst the shining stars.



The NCSA dancers in the Lines work are caught in this moment of elegance.

Curtain Up! In this year's Winter Dance, both ballet and contemporary students had the opportunity to dance with the famed Alonzo King's LINES Ballet in a piece called *Water Paper*. It also brought alumna Ashley Jackson back to the NCSA stage. Miss Jackson is currently part of the LINES Ballet Company. Dancing with the company was the opportunity of a lifetime for the students and it was a delight to the audience as they watched the gorgeous and graceful dancers beside them. Many described the experience as "incredible" and "breathtaking." The program also included a LINES company performance, a combined new work by Sean Sullivan titled *Welcome*, and the high-energy ballet Rubies. Winter Dance was an amazing combination of different types of dance that led the audience to feel a vast range of emotions.



Anna Schmoker shapes into a gorgeous penche.



Backstage, these dancers hugged each other near after the performance.



Welcome featured elegant and modern choreography and breathtaking movements.



The Rubies in this spectacular pose are fit to be painted.

the devil and kate

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Antonin Dvorak's
Hilarious Comic Opera



The Devil and Kate

Sung in English

Wednesday, January 30 8:00 PM
Friday, February 1 8:00 PM
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"We loved it," Allbritten said. "We had the best time performing this opera. It was so much fun singing." On January 30th, 2008, the Full Fletcher Opera took to the stage at the N.C. School of the Arts presented Antonin Dvorak's opera 'The Devil and Kate'. While this opera features a combination of fairytale and folk music, it also features great acting and very strong singing in English. It is also a comedy featuring a young man who thinks she is the most beautiful thing ever made and a devil with a great sense of humor. James Allbritten conducted the orchestra of NCSA students and a cast of Fletcher singers prepared by Angela Ward. Steven LaCrosse served as the stage director. There was a lot of dancing, which was choreographed by Jerry Hatmaker. Dvorak, the opera composer never emerged as either an innovator in the Wagner mold or a traditionalist in the way that Brahms adhered to Classical-era forms. Dvorak was rather clever in his composing something that the NCSA students completely understood and proved through their playing. Many high school students were part of the orchestra and truly enjoyed the opportunity to perform such a fun piece!



Kaylie Ferguson played the harp for the opera.



Drew Comstock gets ready for his role.

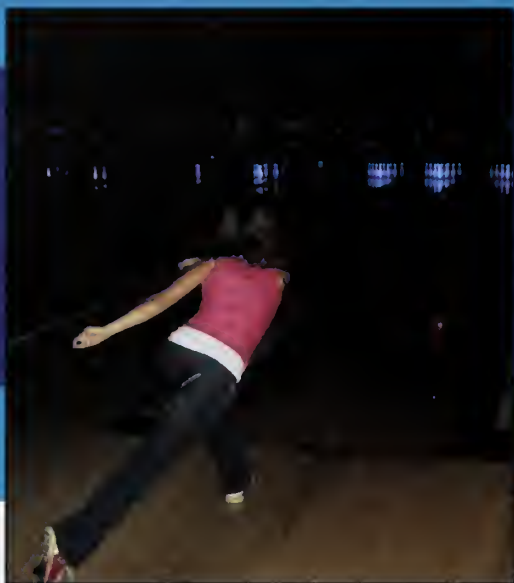


George Marshall, Drew Comstock, and Chris Smith wait for a rehearsal to start.



Nate Tucker practices percussion for the Opera.

cosmic weekend



Chelsea Langevin cosmic bowls...
check out her form!



It takes a REAL MAN to wear pink and blue bowling shoes!



The group watches Chancellor Mauceri conduct the orchestra at the Grammy's on the last night of Cosmic Weekend.



It took a woman to bowl a strike on the last night!



Chris Hoffman and Chris Macdonald smiling while waiting for their turn.

Cosmic Weekend had a great time! The main highlight was bowling on Friday night that started the night and grew in the first bowling talk. Then on Saturday the weekend was celebrated with a black light dance. There were snacks and quality sound and lighting done by D&P. The weekend ended with the comedy team, BlackStreet Boys performing in Eisenberg. After the boys performed people stayed to see the Chamber Music! added the song to make the evening. It was an absolutely night, please good night to all the weekend!

boys group



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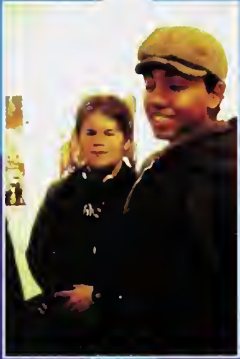
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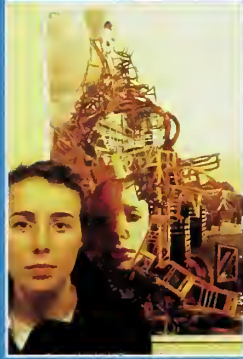
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The Boys and Girls Groups are made up of new Freshmen and Sophomores. They always seem to be having fun. They talk about their new lives away from home and are basically a big support group for each other. They get together weekly on either Monday or Tuesday nights, play games and talk about their past week. Girls group is run by Melissa Brown, while the Boys group is run by JJ Watts. These groups have helped to improve the students' social skills and self-esteem when they were in LSA. It has also helped to foster a sense of community within the school.

val winter gallery



Proud artists gather around their work.



Hannah Barefoot shows the resemblance.



One of Christie Haag's pieces.

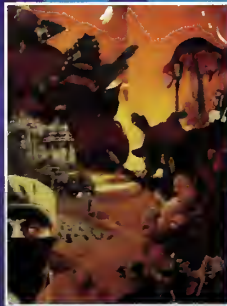


Jenna Englert displays some of her work.

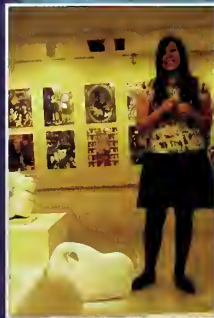


VA I Students gather in front of their hard work.

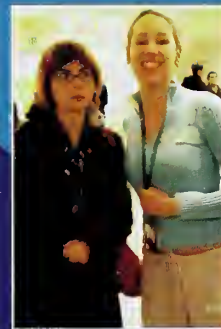
Nick Cannon uses many earth tones to create a suspicious atmosphere.



The first year VA students gathered all of their newly gained knowledge, and presented their first big project, called The Spiritual Dwelling Places. The projects were very personal and brought out of each student's personality. They had the freedom to present their work however they wanted using different mediums and inspirations. These projects, along with plaster sculptures composed the Winter Term gallery presented at the end of the term in the fourth floor gallery. With a huge crowd every night, the artists also hosted a reception to entertain the audience, and talked about their work and process.



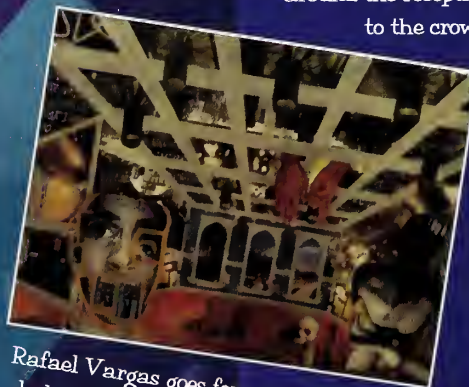
Meg Dancy gets excited at the turnout!



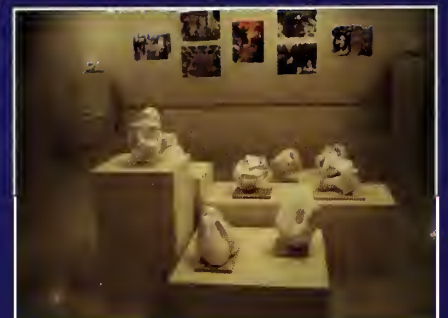
Christine and Jessica walk around the reception talking to the crowd.



Aaron discusses the work with the artists.



Rafael Vargas goes for a more abstract look by realigning his facial features.



Some of the white sculptures that were made were also on display.

winter dance workshop



Chelsea Robicheau, Alex Orenstein,
Emma Tilson, Ali Kish, Kellie Mackie, and
Grayson Driver strike a pose from
"Sugar Rum Cherry."



Bryony McCullough, Emily Igoe,
Anna Young Hope Gaines and Amy Falls
rehearse in a studio.



Alia Roberts, Elizabeth Roach, and Natty
Trogon rehearse Helen Simoneau's piece
for Winter Dance.



after performing
piece by Catherine Batcheller.



Kelly Mackie, Mazena Puksto,
and Christina LaForgia dance
beautifully during the 'Dream
Scene' from 'Don Quixote'.

Winter Dance Workshop 2008 was an exciting event in the dance department. Ballet and Modern students from all levels got the opportunity to perform for their parents and peers in the DeMille Theatre. Repertoire from ballets such as "Who Cares?" by George Balanchine were studied and perfected by the students. Catherine Batcheller, Helen Simoneau, Dana Fox, and Nina Danilova also choreographed pieces for the Workshop. The audience sat in awe as magic was performed before their eyes. Chloe Aiello, a senior in the ballet department, said, "We worked for weeks on these pieces, and I'm thrilled that our parents and friends can see the results of our efforts." After all their hard work, dancers only got to perform once; however, the wonderful learning and performing experience will last them a lifetime and the memories will be with them for years to come.

froze



Ashley Brown and Jamar Williams get ready for a fun night of ice skating.



Morgan Rouse, Darryl Black, Paul Whitman, and Emily Bannerman take a break to laugh while skating.



Kelsey Dickerson backstage at the Drag Show.



Corey Grunenberg slides on the ice.



A professional Queen hired to perform in the Drag Show.



Owen Broder, Nattie Trogon, and Bekah Downing glide across the ice.

Michael Hoover, Candy Martinez, Shelly Zeiser, and Jasmine Wilson try to teach each other how to skate.



arts

On one of the coldest weekends of the year, NCSA students enjoyed ice skating, performing in the one and only Froze Arts Drag show, drinking hot chocolate and watching a movie. Froze Arts weekend is one of everyone's favorite events. On Friday night we all came together in Eisenberg Social Hall for the big Froze Arts Drag Show. This year there were four paid professional queens, some of our own NCSA students and staff, and the Drag Queen winner of 2007, Robert Manner. On Saturday night everyone bundled up to take a bus ride to LJVM Coliseum to enjoy a night of free pizza and ice skating. As the weekend came to a close we all cuddled together to watch a movie and eat popcorn before returning to our homework and getting ready for the week's classes.



Hannah Emerson, Emily Igeo, and Ashley Rogers stand in the audience at the Drag Show.



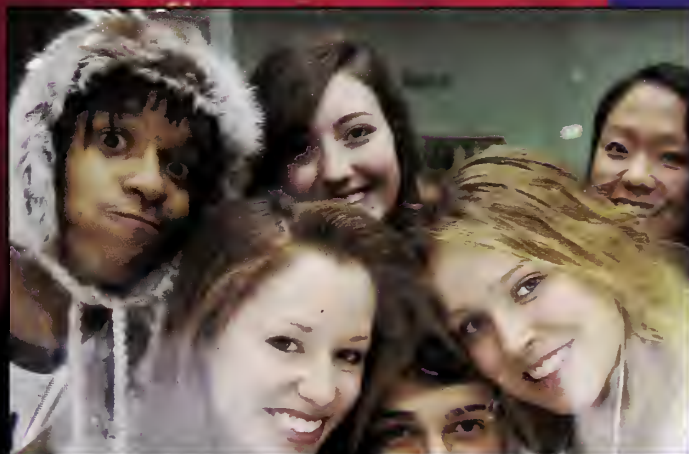
Lydia McRae watches the Drag show from the back.



Cedric Stapleton smiles on stage at the Show.



Judson Fraley struts on stage as "Miss J".

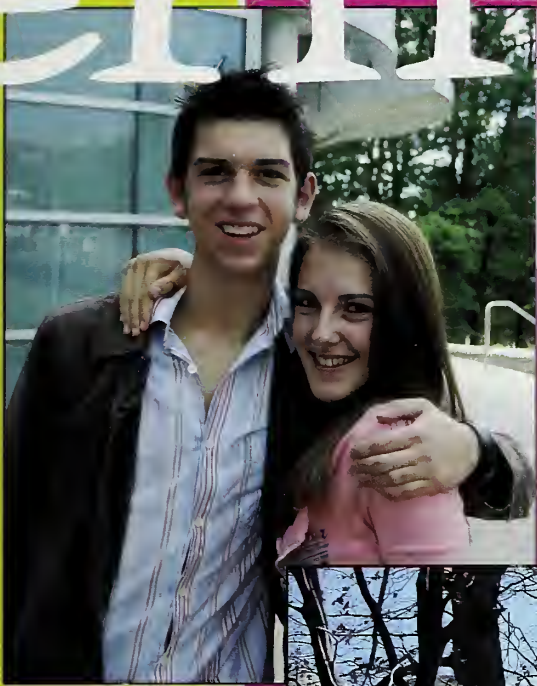


Corey Dundee, Chloe Aiello, Lindsey Stevens, Rae Nickerson, Cedric Stapleton and Michele Saruwatari enjoy their time on the ice.

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Meredith Price, Paloma Garcia-Lee, Emily Igoe, Jocelyn Edwards, Courtney Lopes, Lindsey Matheis, Chiara von der Coltz, Michael Pearce, and Lia Malin pose in front of Dr. Haigh's movie posters.



Dr. Haigh is the Film & Lit teacher at NCSA.

film & lit

Film & Literature is one of three possible classes seniors can take for an English credit at NCSA. Different from all the others, Film & Lit explores a different type of 'literature' through a multitude of films. Different directors are studied each term, and students are required to write film reviews for each movie watched. Sometimes, students are even required to watch movies outside of class. "During a normal week, I spend a few hours watching a film outside of class and then it can take anywhere from one to two hours to write my film review," says Owen Broder. Kelsey Lee also really enjoys the class. She says, "It is a really good learning experience because it is more like a college class. Dr. Haigh is a great teacher. His perspectives on the movies are genius." Hannah Emerson also loves Film & Lit, "I have a better understanding of films. I really respect and have an appreciation of the process of filmmaking." However, some of the films are much more than 'G' rated. Some of the students feel it can be too extreme at times. Zach Morris said, "In life, I have pretty conservative views, so the extremity of some of the films was pretty surprising to me. I'm not sure I always agree with it. But I guess it is good to get views from all sides." Either way, Film & Lit teaches students not only about film and literature but also about all aspects of life.



Owen Broder, Alan Pearce, Courtney Lopes, and Kelsey Lee attentively watch "Mulholland Drive," a David Lynch film.



Going to high school at NCSA is a unique experience. One of the things that make it so unique is ROOMMATES. People from all over the world come to this school to study their art and not everyone can have their own room. Most of the students, who lived as close as one hour away and as far as Korea, now live in Moore and Sanford Halls on the NCSA Campus. These students usually have only one roommate but in some cases there have been people with two roommates. Some people live together for a few weeks, some for one year and others live together for all four years. NCSA is an unusual place, and student life at NCSA is no different. Here are a few roommate stories.



Courtney Lopes and Brittany Bailey have been rooming together since their sophomore year at NCSA.

Courtney and Brittany:

What has it been like being roommates and friends for such a long time?

"We've gotten through three long years of NCSA under the protection of our third loyal roommate Xena the warrior princess, along with our cultural dance sessions coming from the heart of Bermuda, accompanied by Sean Paul and our club zone outfits. When we aren't on campus we spend nights at Mama Bailey's house while filling up on tubs of banana pudding... Without each other, we would be two lost souls on a stranded train in China."

roommates



Ryan Page and Nathaniel Darst began rooming together last year.

Ryan & Natty:

Roommates share a special bond that no one else can identify with, there are inside jokes, secrets and much more. For some roommates, it is difficult to develop this bond. However, for Ryan and Natty this is not the case. According to the pair, "We have mastered the art of being awesome roommates. That should be our art here: being awesome roommates."



Paloma Garcia-Lee and Rebekah Downing have been roommates since they were freshmen.

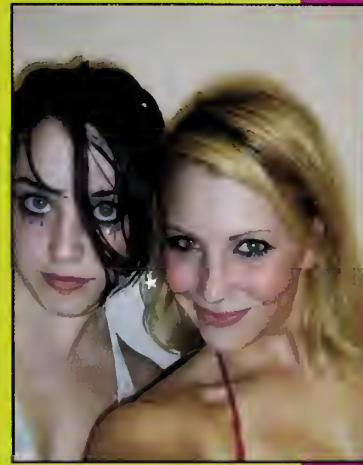
Paloma Garcia-Lee & Rebekah Downing:

What has your roomie experience been like?

Paloma says, "Rebekah and I have been roommates for 3 years. Before we came to NCSA we had never met. Our freshman year during Beaux Arts we made the seventh spot on the '10 things to do instead of getting a Cat A during Beaux Arts' it bonded us forever! I will miss her next year but our friendship, I know, is far from over."



A large group gathers to watch the jello pool fill with wrestlers.



Mikella Bryant and Alyssa Perrin display their Beaux Arts Ball make-up.



The wrestling continues!



Students show off their costumes before heading to the ball.

beaux arts 2007!

At NCSA, everyone looks forward to the Beaux Arts Ball and Weekend, 2007's Beaux Arts was not any different. Before the Famous Beaux Arts Ball there was a movie night, a carnival, and a drag show. At the drag show, Miss Beaux Arts was crowned the drag show Queen of the year. During the carnival there was food, games, jello wrestling and much to entertain the students. The theme for the 2007 Ball was "The World Gon' Wild!" When it was time for the ball everyone dressed up in their craziest costumes and partied like it was 1999! It was a great weekend to end the year!



The girls show off their swimsuits as they head off to celebrate some more!

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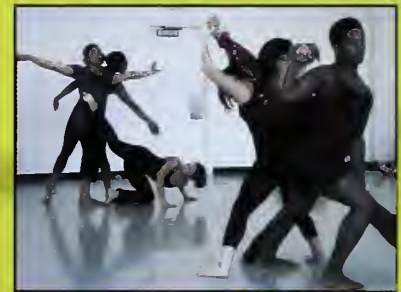
The third year modern dance students spend the entire fall and winter term working hard to present a lecture demonstration to NCSA students, and several Winston-Salem Elementary and Middle School children. The lecture consists of many different demonstrations of the concepts and ideas related to choreographing. While preparing this lecture demonstration, they also prepared dances for each other using the different choreographing concepts as inspiration for each dance. All of the learning, practice, and demonstrations lead up to their showing of the M2 Stew during spring term.



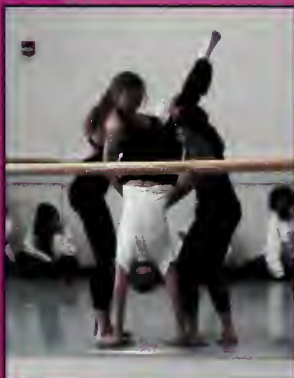
Little Max from the Creative Learning Center shows off his moves for everyone.



Yumiko Harris & Tinedra Mayo show how to make shapes with your bodies.



The dancers and visiting students learn how to work together as a group.



As you can see even the young boys were more than willing to come out and participate.



Here, the dancers demonstrate the use of space, or none at all.

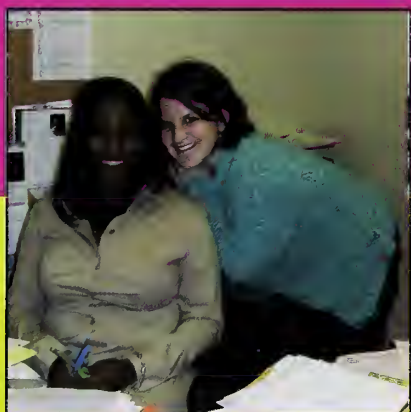


Accompanist John Wilson conducts the music throughout the whole demonstration.

high school advisory



Bindhu Pamarthi, 2nd floor Sanford representative, and Barri DeFrancisci, Secretary, discuss ways for NCSA to step up.



Nikita Green, Residence Life representative and Kaylin Dawson, School of Music representative.



Judson Fraley, Student Activities representative.



Lindsey Matheis, chair of the High School Advisory Committee.

In an effort to step up student life at NCSA, the High School Advisory Committee meets on the second Wednesday of every month to voice students' concerns. There is one student representative from each residential hall and a representative for the commuter students. There are also student representatives from each art school and each grade. There are also faculty and staff representatives from each art school, from academics, and from residence life. Lauren Whitaker and Lindsey Matheis are Co Chairs of the Committee, and work closely together to develop meeting agendas and run the meeting. The High School Advisory Committee has many subcommittees, including: the Senior Committee, Academic Committee, Student Activities Committee, and Residence Life Committee. These committees work on specific issues students have within each category. The committees are student-run, and the faculty and staff support the students and help them make decisions. This year the High School Advisory Committee has hosted a college night, addressed concerns about college preparation, homework, and campus events, and helped to coordinate the senior gift selection.



The 2007-2008 High School Advisory Committee.

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Courtney Lopes and Nathaniel Darst
cuddle up for a photo opp.



Brian Waldrep and Adam Chavis smile bright
and embrace the wonderful evening.



Soon to be Rock & Roll stars
Sam Owens, Ryan Layton,
and Ian Meeks take a
quick break from jamming
to pose suavely.

Even the downpour of rain didn't stop the '007 mission to have fun at the prom in Tanglewood Park. With a Hollywood red and black theme, everyone was looking stylish and hot with their dates on arm. There was plenty of food and desserts, a photographer making pins and snow globe pictures, a live D.J. and even a special performance by our very own NCSA band. There was not a bored soul in sight, the place was packed tight and there were suave agents and glamorous Bond girls everywhere you looked! It was non stop fun until the break of dawn and no complaints from anyone!

Prom '007



Modern Dancers Brittany Bailey and
Justin Melvin show off
their shiny whites.



Angela Agresti and Anna Schmoker dine out before
they enter the Hollywood scene.

yes, i got it...

college and job acceptances!!!



Kyle Davis has accomplished a lot this year including winning the Prix de Lausanne and an apprentice contract with the London Ballet. Kyle said, "Winning the Prix de Lausanne was an absolutely amazing experience. I was judged by a panel of judges from all over the world on technique, artistry, and expression. My performance was judged in both a classical variation and a contemporary variation. It was really a dream come true, but as exciting as it all is it is just as equally scary."

Alia Roberts had lots to say about her acceptance into Hollins University. She said, "When I found out I got into Hollins it was instant relief that I could go somewhere else besides NCSA next year. My experiences have been absolutely amazing here and life happens here in a way it does no where else. But after 2 years of NCSA, I am looking forward to taking these experiences to someplace else."



Jamar Williams elaborated on his exciting acceptance day. He said, "I walked to the mail center one day, as I often do, and was actually thinking about college auditions and was frustrated with waiting to hear the results. As I finally got my mailbox open, there laid 2 big envelopes and my heart began to race with anticipation. I reached in and saw that one envelope said Point Park University and the other LIPA- Liverpool Institute of the Performing Arts, United Kingdom. I tore open the envelopes and all I had to read was CONGRATULATIONS and I knew I was accepted into the two schools. I went from having no college options to having two in one day. It was a day I'll never forget!"

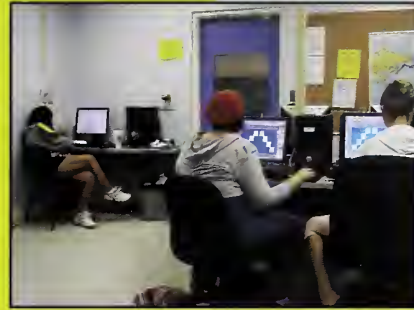
Senior year is very stressful here at NCSA. Seniors have to keep up all their academic grades while balancing arts classes and college auditions. For some students at NCSA, college isn't the next step. Some students go from high school right into the work force, especially ballet dancers who are looking for jobs with professional companies. During winter term seniors audition, fill out applications, get last minute recommendations and miss days of school as they try to pursue their dreams. Then they WAIT. They wait for acceptance letters and scholarships. Some wait to get hired for a job. Then spring term arrives and the letters and acceptances start coming in. Spring term at NCSA can be a sweet and sour part of the school year. Most students find out what school they will be attending or determine what job they will accept by May 1. Either way at the end of spring term they all leave for their future endeavors; they take the skills they learned at NCSA, whether it was in their art or simply time and stress management, and enter the next chapter of their life.



Ms. Whitworth has worked very hard to make NCSA's yearbook possible.



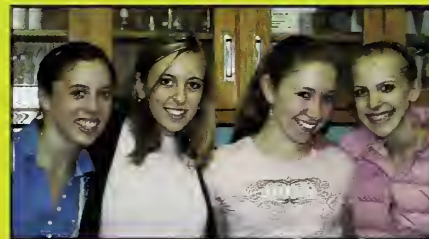
Jemeesa Yarborough and Kaylin Davidson concentrate hard as they help make plans for the yearbook.



Jenna Riley and Erika DeSimone show productive working skills during their time in the computer lab.



Courtney Lopes collects and organizes all the senior quotes as one of her many jobs as an editor.



The sophmores of yearbook committee meet on Thursdays during lunch to work on their assignments.



Yearbook had a bright and early start this year. Preparation for this year's book began during the first week of school. While arts and academic classes were just waiting to begin, yearbook committee was already in full swing. Students taking the yearbook class have been hard at work, collecting pictures, writing articles, and designing pages. Ms. Whitworth should be highly thanked for leading the class every step along the way. Courtney Lopes and Bindhu Parmarthi have stood by her side, editing and assisting during the whole process. It's been a difficult journey, with overloaded and busy schedules. There was much thought put into this year's theme, 'Steppin' Up', in hopes that it would bring our product victorious praise. After a few boxes of pizza, and hours of warming the seats in the computer lab, we have tried our best to put together a book of beautiful memories. We hope you ENJOY!

yearbook committee

sarah haubuth · courtney lopes · bindu parmarnthi · kelly porter · jenna riley · jemeesa yarborough · ali kish · claire kretschmar · alex orenstein · emily wolfe

julia boyes · tara bunemann · hannah darrah · kaylin davidson · barri defrancisci · erica desimone · seve foster · kyle yagle



most environmentally
aware.....

mrs. pighini



acts most like his
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dr. haigh



the rookie.....

ms. greer



most likely to laugh a
little, cry a little.....

mr. milner



best smile....

mrs. white

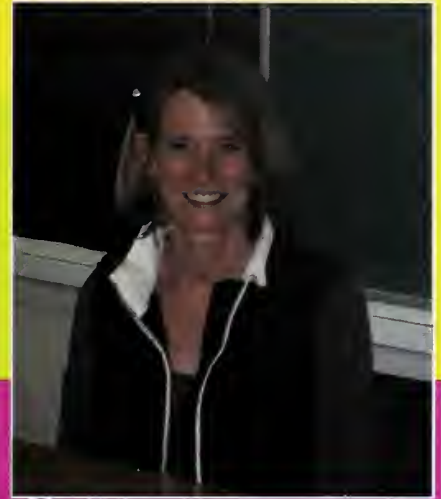
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most carefree.....
mrs. thompson



most likely to drink
the most diet mountain
dew in a year.....
ms. whitworth



most gangster.....
C-Dawg



best dressed.....
senorita maqueda-jimenez



most focused.....
ms. davis

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Everybody has had to step up at least once in their life to achieve something great or overcome a fear. We asked Mademoiselle Golden how she has stepped up in her past.

She told us that she lived in Paris for a while and actually earned her Master's degree there. This was a big step for her because it was a whole different country and she had no idea what to expect. Another big step Mademoiselle Golden took was becoming a high school teacher. Growing up she was very shy and afraid of public speaking, which made her really not want to become a teacher. She also saw how high school students made fun of teachers and was scared of being made fun of herself. However, she overcame all of this which is great, because if she had not stepped up and conquered her fear, then she would not have become the wonderful French teacher she is today!



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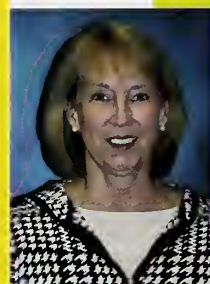
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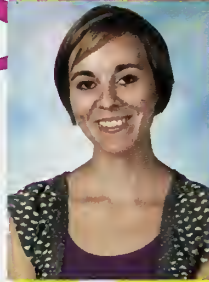
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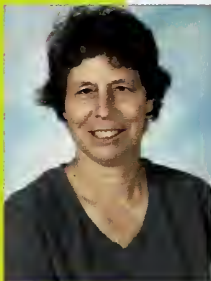
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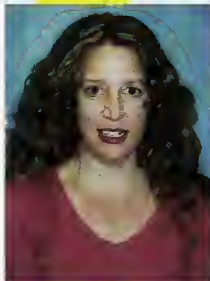
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elizabeth sklenar



nancy streblow



beth thompson



chenetta west



syvia white



brooke whitworth



thomas wilson



Brenda Daniels has been seen as a spectacular modern dance teacher who has helped many students to step up in their dancing. She cares about her students and does all she can to help them succeed. Brenda sets the example not only on the dance floor, but also in how our education must always continue. Recently, she went back to school to earn her Master's Degree. She gives an account of her experience below:

"Two years ago I decided to go back to school to get my Master's Degree in Dance at the American Dance Festival/Hollins University Program. This decision was based on two factors: the brand new program took place at the American Dance Festival where I teach during the summers anyway, plus it was time in my life for some new input to inform my teaching and choreography. I applied and received a very generous fellowship that paid for almost half the cost. The program was very intense, especially in the area of reading and writing. I love to read and write about dance, so that part of it was great fun. The other students in my class were all dance professionals that I was very familiar with such as Mark Haim, Abby Yeager, Neta Pulvermacher, Sherone Price, and Stafford Berry. The courses ran the gamut from History, Theory and Criticism to Digital Media and Art History since 1980. We studied anatomy, Pilates, body practices and dance technique as well as having many seminars and guest lecturers. I completed a major research paper entitled 'Having It All - Dance and Motherhood at Three American Dance Companies' which I presented to the public at the American Dance Festival. I also had to write a thesis about a piece I choreographed here at NCSA called 'Gran Partita.' I also made a film of this piece as part of my thesis work. The ADF/Hollins Master's program was such a lot of work, but also extremely stimulating and exciting. I found out that it is never too late to go back to school!"

Free



Dance

Back: Frank Smith, Lynne Messick, Sean Sullivan, Nina Danilova, Brenda Daniels, Alex Ewing, Warren Conover
Front: Christine Spizzo, Trish Casey, Dianne Markham.



Drama

Back: Greg Walter, Robert Haseida, Kelly Maxner, Matt Bulluck, Geordie MacMinn, Dale Girard, Ben Furey, Mary Irwin, Caroline Kava, Bob Francesconi
Front: Gerald Freedman, Mollie Murray, Jeff Lewis



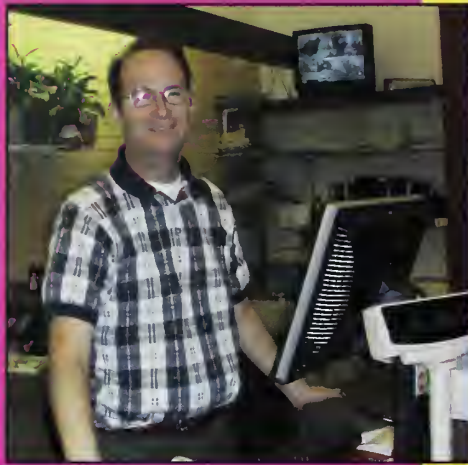
Music

Back: Glenn Siebert, John Mitchener, Kevin Lawrence, Paul Sharpe, John Ellis, Michael Rothkopf Middle: Allison Cagnon, Julie Hammarback, Karen Beres, Carolyn Lewis, Robert Rocco, Gerald Khickstein, Eric Larsen, John Beck, Ronald Rudrin, Marion Pratnicki, Joseph Pecoraro Front: Brooks Whitehouse, David Winkelman, Michael Dodds, Thomas Clark, Marilyn Taylor, Judith Saxton



Visual Arts

Will Taylor, Pamela Griffin, and Greg Shelmutt.



Ken Hull eager to assist artists in the campus store.

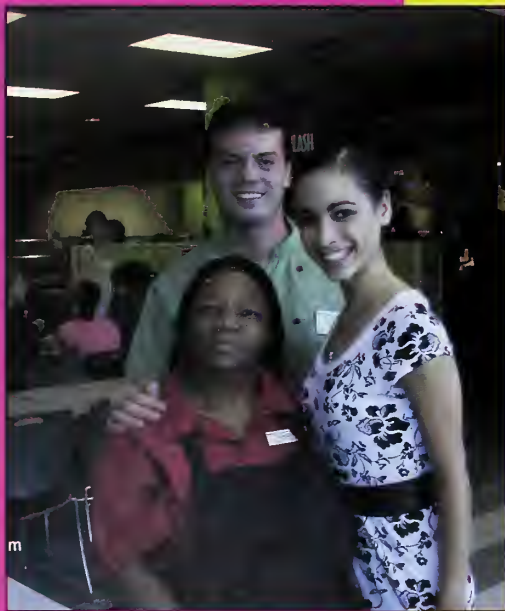


Sick students appreciate the smiling faces of Ann Madigan, Ann Potter, and Tomika Haney-Springs at the Wellness Center.



Ms. Queen happy to be working with Mr. Pickle every day at the Pickle Jar!

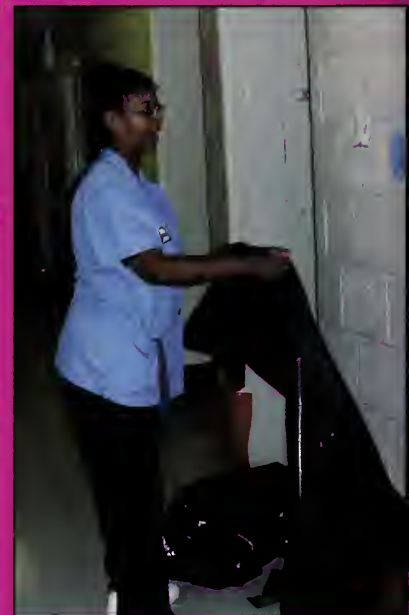
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Ryan Bargoil and Miss Maggie always bring smiles to students' faces in the cafeteria.



Elizabeth Spruill excitedly delivers packages to anxious students.



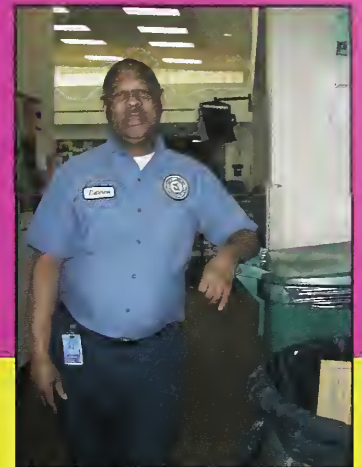
BJ is hard at work keeping the halls clean early in the morning.



Captain Boyce looks toward another day of protecting students at NCSA.



April Moore and Cenell Hartman are all smiles at the campus store.



Barron is hard at work in the early morning but is always friendly to passers-by!

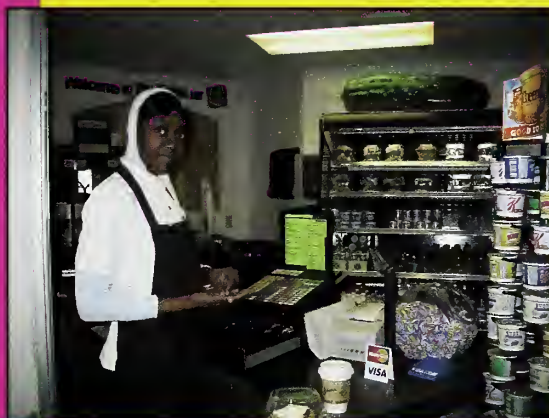
staff



Julia Winfrey shares her love of reading in the Semans Library.



Karen Waldo grants student access to the campus through the One Card office.



Erica is always punctual at the Pickle Jar.



Officer Wendy Sheppard protects students from crime!

residence life's level system

Stepping up in the level system is a priority for many of the students living in the residence halls of NCSA. Residence Life's level system rewards participants who have done community work and behaved well. When the highest rank, Level 3, is achieved, students are able to add a one hour extension to their weekend curfew. Students must be in Level 2, obtain no grades below a 'C', have no unexcused absences, no art probations, and have no more than 2 category C's before they can achieve Level 3. Students must also obtain five campus service hours in addition to the hours required for Level 2. Students must then facilitate an educational program and schedule a short meeting with their hall counselor. After completing all this, students are rewarded with the benefits Level 3 offers. Level 3 allows student to have enjoyable, late night weekends and an even later curfew for Beaux Arts. With an additional amount of dirty work, seniors are able to taste their freedom through the wonderful privilege of having a car. The residence life's level system teaches NCSA students that a little extra work "stepping up" pays off.

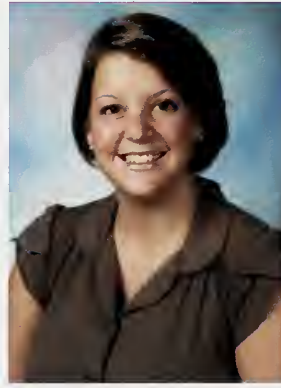
residence life staff



jessica adams



melissa brown



sarah buchanan



samantha driver



nakita green



john stowe



j j watts



jennifer wells

student activities

judson fraley steps up in student activities

Judson Fraley has stepped up this year to improve NCSA's Student Activities. Believe it or not, Fraley hoped to be a part of NCSA since he was a high school student. He attended a summer saxophone workshop and knew it was the place for him. Unfortunately, it was not until after college that Fraley was able to pursue this dream. Fraley applied to a job in Student Life because he wanted to help others succeed. Fraley says, "I've come to realize that it's at this age, high school, where students start making decisions that will affect them for the rest of their life." When he came across this position, he applied, interviewed, and was then offered the job. His job title is the Assistant Director of Student Activities. His main responsibilities include providing effective events for the high school students and the whole campus. He oversees all the student organizations, works with commuter students, and programs activities and events for the summer session. Fraley set high goals for himself from day one. His main goal was to always keep the students first. He created the CREW, also known as the HS Student Activities Council, to help link him directly with the student body. Fraley entered NCSA hoping to succeed and make a difference and in a two year time period, NCSA has truly benefited from his work. "I had to see success and I think we've done it. I'm at a point where students know me, and not just my position." Fraley understands he has a lot on his plate but it's the students that remind him of why he loves his job. As Fraley always says, "I only do it one way. LARGE & IN CHARGE!"



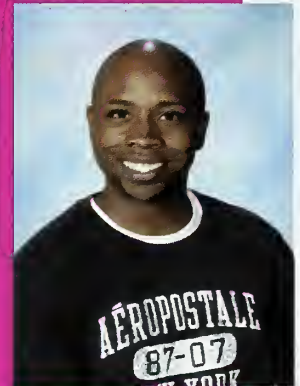
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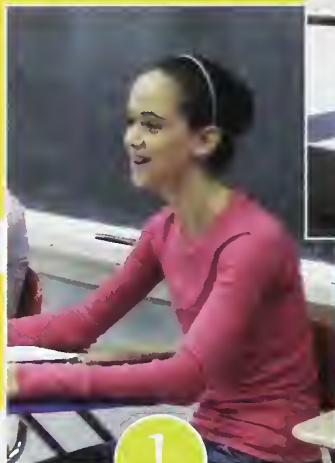
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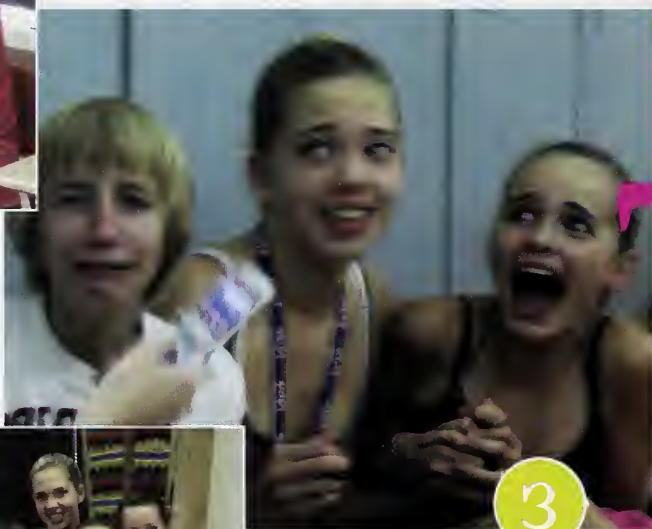
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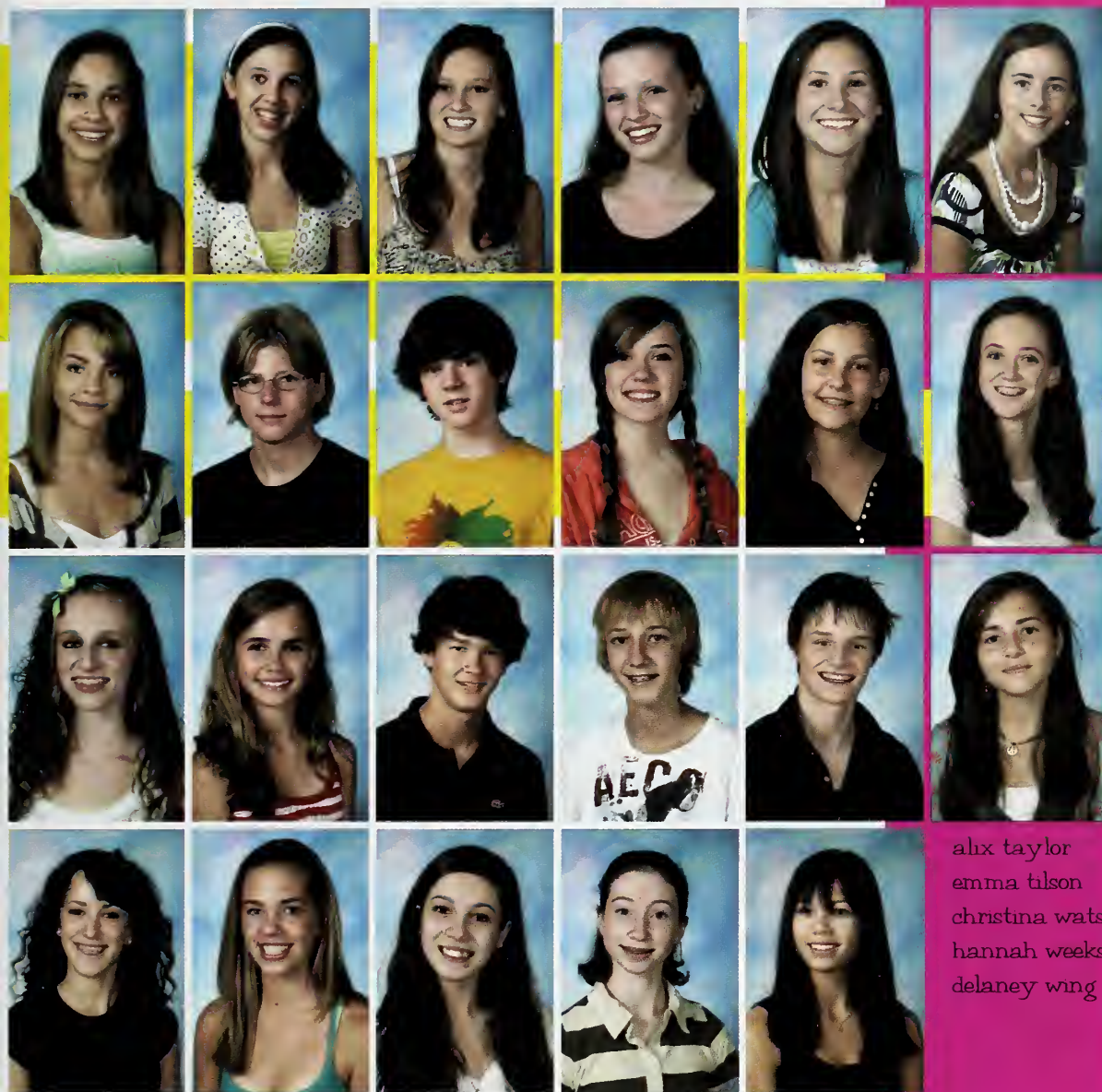
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freshmen

1. Elizabeth Lloyd participates intensely in class.
2. Mary Clements, Sara DeVinney, Sara Berube, and Kayleigh Danowski pose with the NCSA mascot!
3. Ben Rudisin, Emma Tilson, and Anna Maiche freak out during a tornado warning.
4. Kiera James, Delaney Wing, Emma Tilson, Alix Taylor, Anna Maiche, Sara DeVinney, Mary Clements, and Tyler Sandborn say cheese during Ms. Moss's class.
5. Rebecca Hayden, Delaney Wing, and Hannah Weeks study hard in Mr. Bo's Class.
6. Jack Rice and Alexa Skillicorn prepare to go to practice.
7. Zachary Gossett and Perry take it easy before class starts.



amanda bertram
sarah berube
grace brewer
lindsay carter
mary clements
kayleigh danowski

sara devinney
zachary gossett
aj harvey
rebecca hayden
kiera james
elizabeth lloyd

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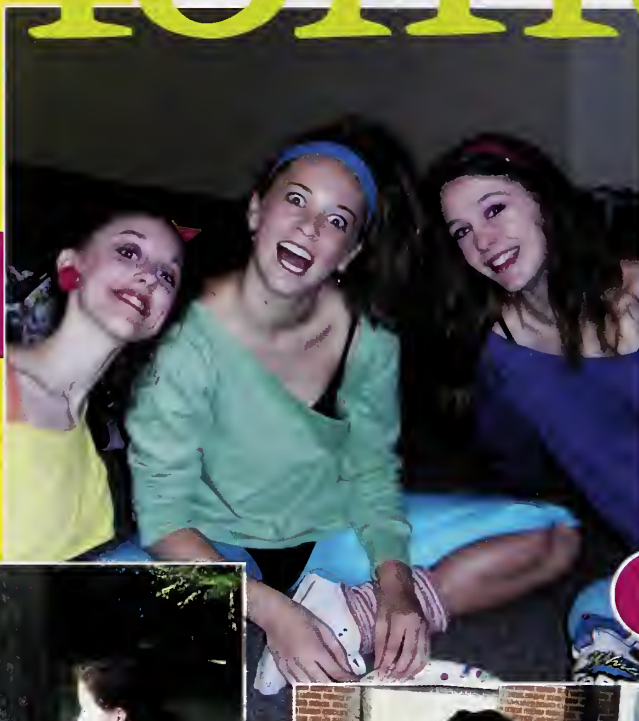
Emma Tilson came to NCSA from a normal, public middle school. Dancing outside of her academic studies, Emma trained in jazz, tap, modern, hip hop and ballet. Making the transfer to NCSA meant choosing to focus mainly on ballet. Emma said that, "along with the classes being more intense, everyone here really wants to be here, so I work harder."

Emma has not only stepped up in her art, but also in other areas of her life. "No one is here to tell me to do my homework, it's my own responsibility." She also works harder to keep her friendships healthier since she is now in a closer environment than before. "Being at NCSA has made me step up in many areas, it's great!"





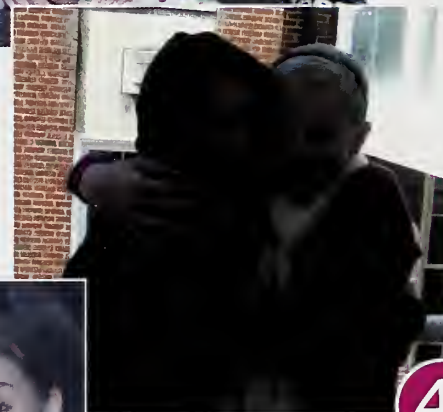
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1. Zoe Lewis and Cody Hayman hang out in the hallways after lunch.
2. Laura Chachich, Morgan Chmielewski and Grayson Driver chill in the hallway during their Halloween party.
3. Chelsea Robicheau, Christian Gray, Jerry Wyatt and Kalie Nattinger sit outside enjoying the sunshine.
4. Emily Wolfe and Claire Kretzschmar cheese it up.
5. Hannah Locke and Laura Chachich enjoy the first dance.
6. Chelsea Robicheau, Ali Kish and Turgor Man sneak a picture during Biology.

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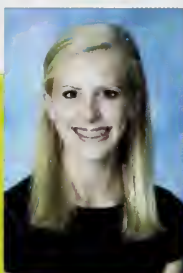
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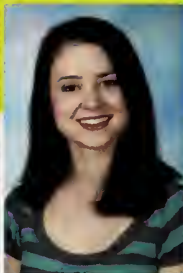
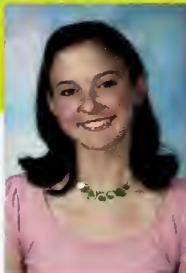
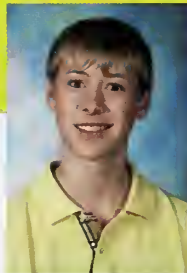
Tina Laforgia -
the crazy girl she is

From year to year, there are always more challenges and we must all step up in some way. However, for Tina Laforgia there have been more challenges than the average sophomore experiences. Tina had to move to a new place, start over with friends and learn about life here at NCSA. She says, "Moving to a different state was probably the hardest thing I ever had to do because I had to let go of what was there." Overall, Tina has really stepped up this year because she feels as if she has broken out of her shell for the first time. Tina says she used to be shy, but now she "feels like she can do anything she wants without worrying about what people think". In addition, she has improved her grades and her technique in ballet. Just a year ago, she was dancing only four or five hours a day so coming to this school was a step up in and of itself.

christopher hopper
raven joyner
ali kish
khara kowalski
claire kretzschmar
christina laforgia



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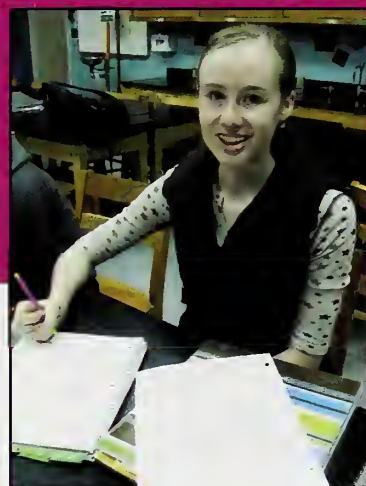
What Khara Kowalski
says about NCSA...

"I have made the most incredible friends here - ones I could never have dreamed of meeting at my old school. They all have such an amazing passion for not only their art, but everything in life. They look at things in such a unique way and pay attention to the things that most people just pass up with a glance. They find beauty in differences and diversity, while most people at my old school only judge and say things like that are 'weird'. I feel so comfortable knowing no matter what I say, do, think, believe, and even wear will not be judged, but considered. I am soooo thankful for the amazing friends I have had the opportunity to live, laugh, learn, and grow with over this year and hopefully the years to come!"



Jake Stainback's talks about
his transition into a
new art form...

"Before the beginning of this school year, Jake Stainback switched from ballet to modern. In a way he stepped into a new art form, where he felt he could truly be himself. The transition has been a very challenging journey in itself. Modern has really showcased my creativity and love for dance. There are still some things I miss about the ballet world, but the contemporary world has so many possibilities for expression and creation. I feel strong in my decision in switching and it is with courage and passion that I take the next steps into the contemporary world."



How has Kirsti Riehle
stepped up at NCSA?

"Kirsti Riehle moved to Winston Salem, North Carolina from Alaska in order to attend the ballet program at NCSA. 'So far, my experience at NCSA has been wonderful! I've gotten to meet lots of determined, creative people and with them, I've grown and experienced so much. At my old high school, people found it odd that I would devote all my time to dancing; here, people can't understand why I would use my time for anything else.'"



carrie petrak
mazena puksto
jillian ratledge
kirsti riehle
terris roberts
chelsea robicheau

morgan rouse
sara seger
jacob stainback
emily wolfe
jerry wyatt
shelly zeiser



Mac Hopper has stepped up at
NCSA in several different
ways...

Mac says, "This year I have stepped up academically and artistically. I am in the studios practicing longer and working on projects more thoroughly. I also have stepped up in my range of friends. I talk to more people and I'm a more friendly and outgoing person!"



Christian Gray has stepped
up in his art through
several new experiences,
this is what he has to say...

"As far as music goes, there have been TOO many changes in the way I think about it. Because of all the amazing musicians I've met, performances I've seen, hours I've practiced, and wonderful feelings I've gotten out of playing. I can say I want to be a musician. I've realized now that I should be sharing something with music, rather than proving something."



Changing schools has
really made Raven
Joyner

step up...

Raven Joyner is a new student to NCSA this year. She says, "As far as dance is concerned, I would say I have grown as a dancer in many ways. If we compared when I first started going here until now, you would definitely see a difference in my work ethic, focus, study habits, and dedication. Since this is my first year here, I have taken in and learned a lot. I am getting involved in extra activities and staying on top of academics as well!"

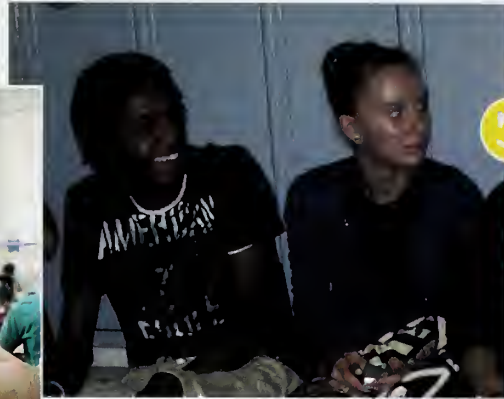
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1. Issac Stroupe makes us laugh as he enters the dorm.
2. Shane Urton and Ashley Brown show some friendly love in the Pickle Jar.
3. Kelly Porter and Corey Dundee sit together during a tornado drill.
4. Katherine Mount and Abi Clark make some beautiful faces for the camera.
5. Natty Darst, Bryony McCullough, Drew Comstock and Annie Jeong pose as a lab group.
6. Chris Celb is ready to hit the study room.
7. Seve Foster, Candy Martinez, Cedric Stapleton and Jennifer Jeong take a break from studying and get a little silly.



alison adnet
jordan anders
emily bannerman
cameryn bevill
darryl black

teresa blackman
rebecca blank
julia boyes
ashley brown
gabriella brown

sara bunemann
aubrey busek
ariel chornsbay
abigail clark
eliana clark



Jeff Fogleman, a junior trombonist in the music program, talks about how he has had to step up this year in his arts classes.

"I remember when I first came to NCSA- I was a very different trombonist, I wasn't the same player I am today, I was different. Since I've come here, I've really changed the way I play and view the instrument, so now I'm not the same player I was when I first came here. From my very first lesson, I remember my teacher giving me advice on how to practice and what to practice, and to this I said "Okay". So now I know exactly what to practice and have the time and freedom to play as much as I want to. It's great! Thanks NCSA!"

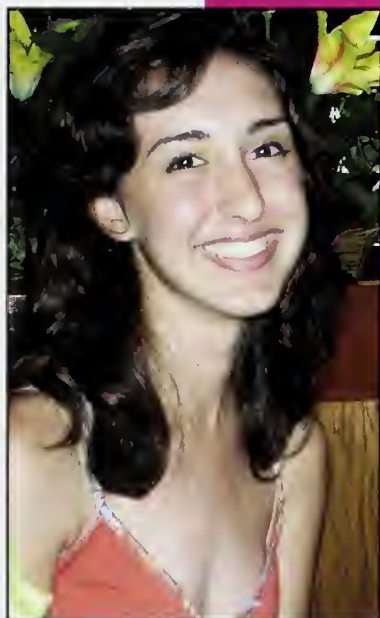
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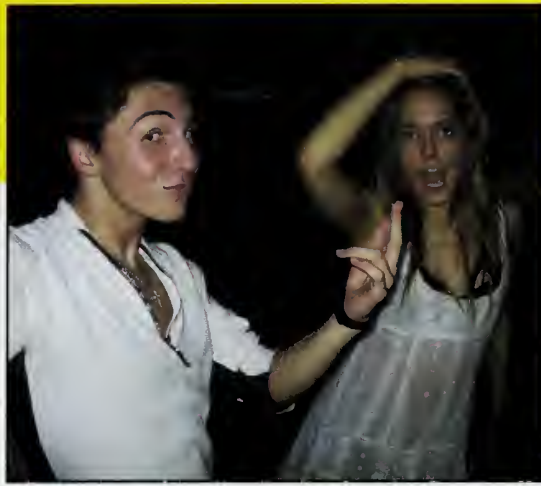


jeffrey fogelman
seve foster
hillary franklin
joe gailey
christopher gelb



Junior year is said to be the most difficult academic year. We asked Cyndi Cukiernik how she had to step up in order to maintain good grades.

Cyndi stated that she definitely had to quit procrastinating. She also said she had to stop talking so much in class, and start to really focus. Keeping track of time and getting creative with ways to stay awake in class are two more things she said helped her succeed academically this year. She said, "I learned how to make small sacrifices in order to work towards the big picture."



Michael Clark and Rae Nickerson have a great time at a school dance.



Lindsey Stevens, Shane Urton, and Reagan Sehring sit outside the connector building.



Ryan Page, Nathaniel Darst, Alison Adnet, and Hannah Darrah smile for the camera.



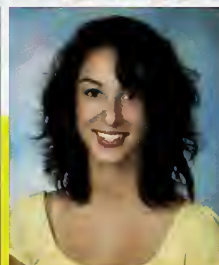
Julia Boyes and Jordan Anders get their picture taken while they wait for a table.



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anna halligan
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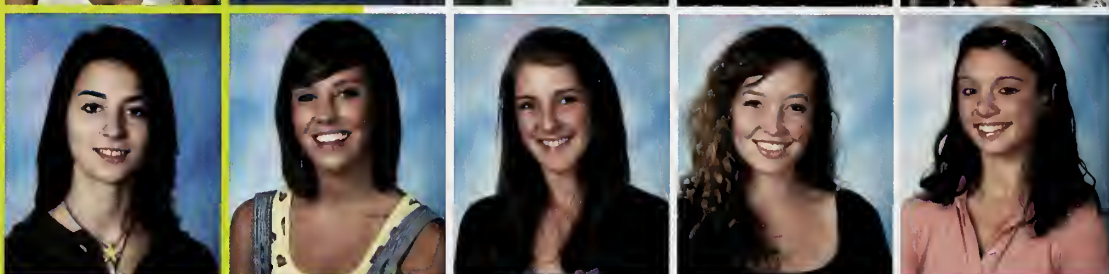
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samantha miller
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jessica oddono
ryan page
natalie parker
william parlier
kelly porter



joni ray
ashley rogers
amy saunder
reagan sehring
lauren sherwood



junior year...a defining year

JUNIOR YEAR, a defining year: no more underclass insignificance, no more being treated like a little kid. Junior year can be grueling at best, with homework and study loads incredibly heavy, as well as the ongoing difficulty of all that is involved with being an art major. Students begin to wonder what they will actually end up doing with their lives and at the same time pray their PSAT, SAT, and/or ACT scores are good enough to reach the height of their dreams. Some juniors aren't thinking about college yet, they're just focusing on succeeding in school and enjoying themselves as much as possible.

Although junior year is considered terribly tough and stressful by most, there are definite perks to being an upperclassman at NCSA. Juniors get a later curfew and can receive other privileges. People have different reasons for liking their junior year. According to Ryan Page, "The best thing about being a junior is that you are old but you still don't have to worry about college. At least, I'm not. But the fact that we're called 'juniors' totally undermines the point of being in an upperclass position. But whatever, I'm having a radical time this year." Natty Darst has a bit of a different perspective. "I would have to say the extended 11 o'clock curfew is most definitely a perk of being an upperclassman. Besides that we pretty much have to endure the same dormitory torture as the freshmen and sophomores, combined with a more vigorous academic schedule and the persistently growing anxiety of what to do after high school. So yeah, I'm REALLY glad we get that extended curfew."

It is a challenging year for the junior class; however, their hard work and persistence are paying off. They've stepped up; they've done well. Now we just have to see what the future will bring.



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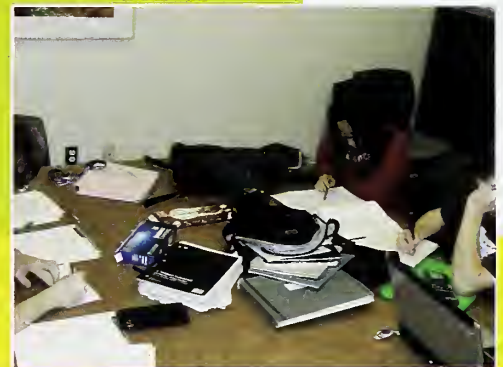
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jasmine wilson
anna young



Annie Jeong slaves away in the study room.

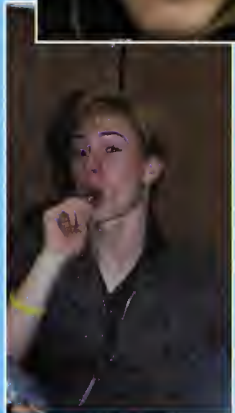
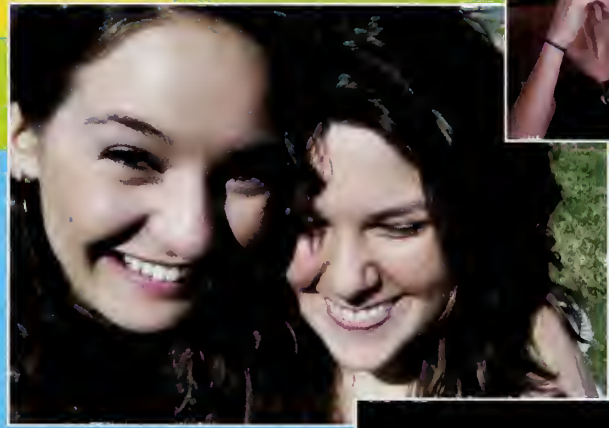
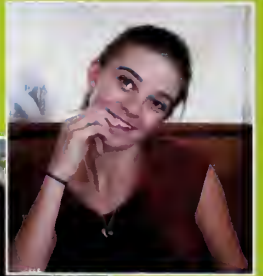
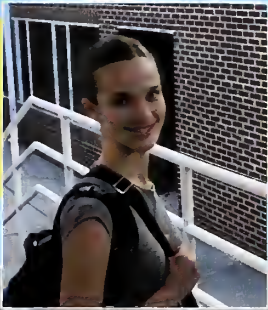


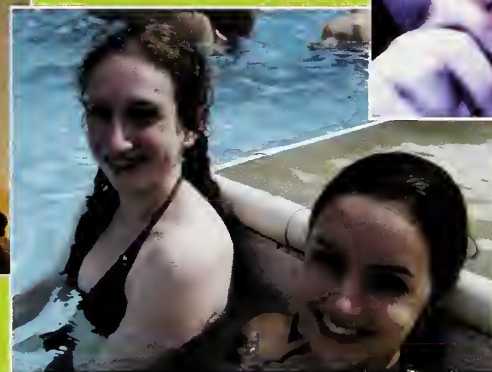
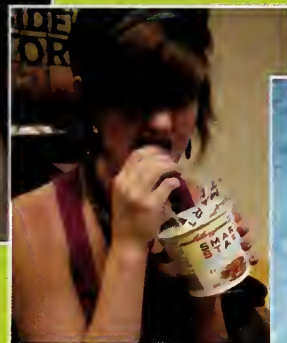
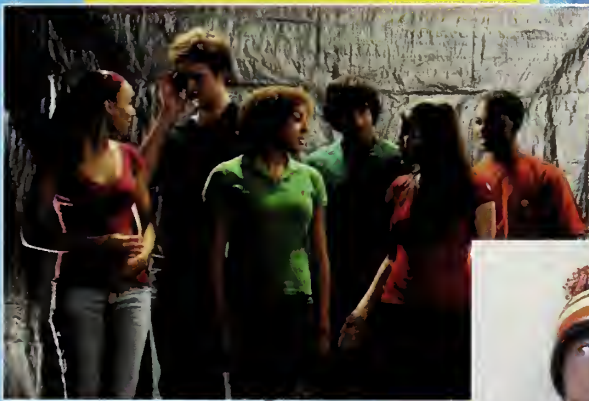
Natty Darst, Sara Hauhuu, Lauren Sherwood, and Calleja Smiley get some last minute studying done before class.



Ms. Pilon's 8:00 AP English Class pauses from their hard work to get a picture taken.

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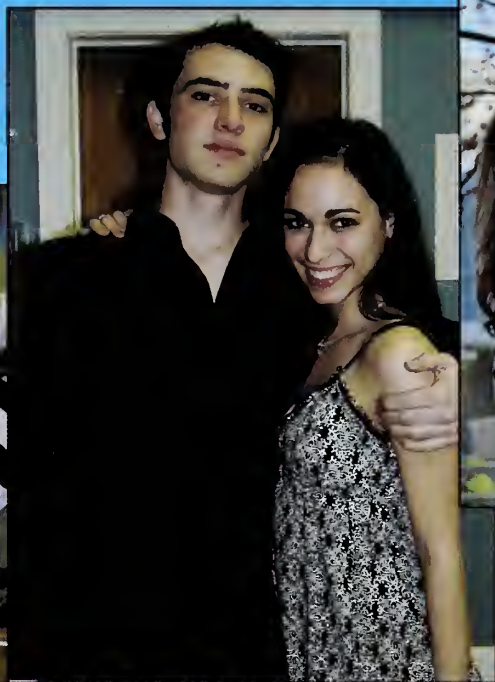




Your Daily Vitamins

Best All Around

Anna McKinsey and Wells Albritton



Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Lauren

Best Dressed

Barri DeFrancisci and Justus Harris

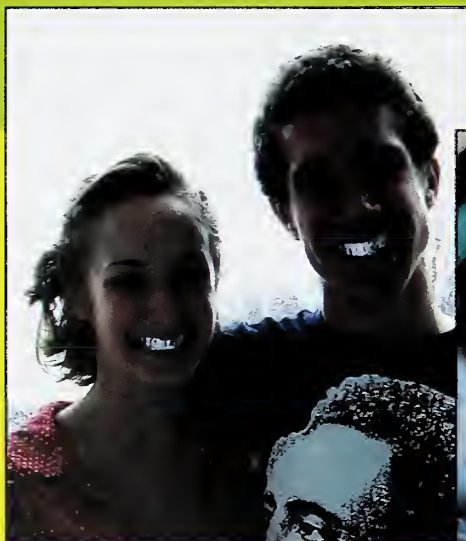


Mr. & Mrs. Smith

Most Dramatic

Chiara von der Goltz and Jamar Williams

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Mr. & Mrs. Aquafresh

Best Smile

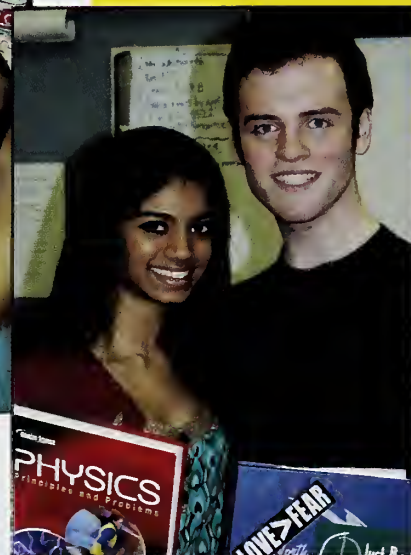
Hope Gaines and Aaron Pennington



One of a Kind

Most Unique

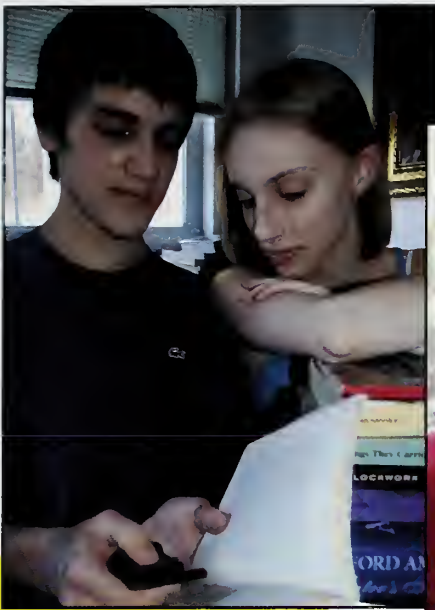
Jing Niu and Charles Peele



The Next Bill Gates

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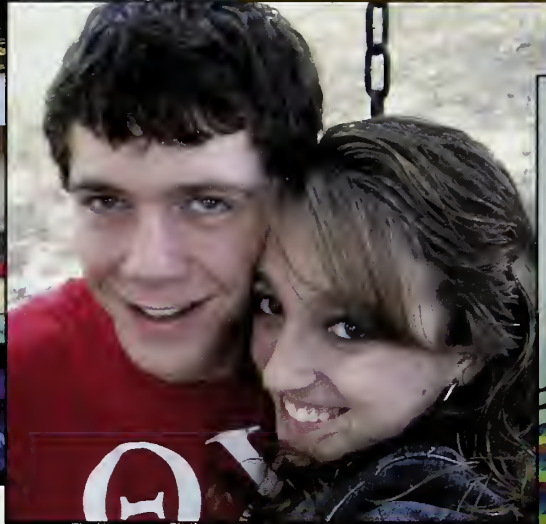
Bindhu Pamarthi and Austin Boykin



I'll do that paper later...

Biggest Procrastinator

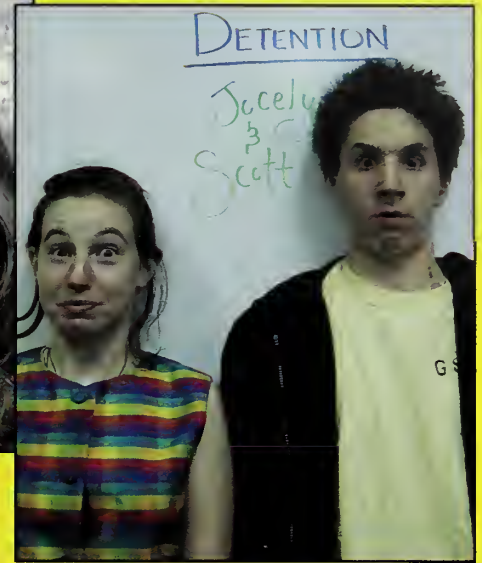
Ashley Hathaway and Spencer Badesch



Romeo & Juliet

Best Couple

Brittany Butler and John Pratt



Mr. & Mrs. Jim Carrey

Funniest

Jocelyn Edwards and Scott Nicholson

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Social Butterflies

Most Outgoing

Mikella Bryant and Matt Foley



Best Ab Workout

Best Laugh

Sarah Bishop and Russell Norman



Most Likely to get a Cat, A

Biggest Rebel

Jenna Riley and Rafael Vargas

"Art does not solve problems but
makes us aware of their existence. It
opens our eyes to see and our
brain to imagine."
-Magdalena Abakanowicz

emily acheson-adams
visual art



"Could we panic now?" -Ron Weasley
"Except for fish..." -Arthur
Dearest Adam: "You're never gonna be jello."
Do not spoil what you have by desiring
what you have not." - Epicurus
"Après la pluie, le bleu temps" -French Proverb
Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole."
-Roger Caras
"All we have to decide is what to do with the time
that is given to us" -Candolf the Great



paige adams
dance

angela agresti
dance



"I shall be telling this with a sigh somewhere ages and ages
hence. Two roads diverged in a wood, and I- I took the one
less traveled by, and that has made all the difference"

-Robert Frost

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in
moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands
at times of challenge and controversy."

-Martin Luther King Jr.

"In the end, only kindness matters." -Jewel
Love you Hulia....Peace In....



chloe aiello
dance

"May you live everyday of your life."

-Jonathan Swift

"Take your work seriously,
but never yourself."

-Margot Fonteyn

"Creativity is allowing yourself to make
mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep."

-Scott Adams



wells albritton
drama

"Reality is for people with no imagination."
-Jan Tincher

amy anderson
music



"We travel, some of us forever, to seek
other states, other lives, other souls."
-Anais Nin

"We live in an age when pizza gets to your
home before the police"
-Jeff Marder
"Stan, don't you know the first law of Physics?
Anything that's fun costs at least eight dollars."
-Eric Cartman (South Park)
"What are you waiting for.....Chicken Pot-Pie?"
-Kee-Juan Han



spencer badesch
dance

"Take the cannoli"
-Clemenza

eliza bagg
drama



"What happens, happens."
-Anonymous

blake a. barker
music



"It's a magical world Hobbes, ol'buddy.
Lets go exploring."
-Calvin

hannah m. barefoot
visual arts



joel t. ballard
dance



"The things we know best are the things
we haven't been taught."
-Marquis de Vauvenargues



brittany k. bailey
dance

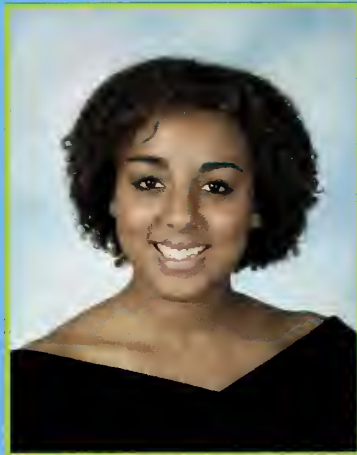
"That's when you know you've found somebody really
special... When you can just shut the *** up for a minute
and comfortably share silence." -Pulp Fiction
"Music is the direct link between the soul
and the divine." -Deng Ming-Dao
"The human being never stopped moving, never
stopped changing. A human being was a cosmos.
A mysterious progression. A sacred equilibrium."
-Deng Ming-Dao
"Beyond the ideas of wrongdoing and right doing
there is a field. I will meet you there." -Rumi
wwxd. love you mom.



cherie l. boyer
dance

"Go on! Go back and grow up!
But I'm warnin' ya: once you're grown up,
you can never come back. Never!"
-Peter Pan

suzanne s.a. blunk
drama



Seeing isn't believing
Believing is seeing
You don't have to see it to
know that it's there.
You just know.

"You have achieved success if you have
lived well, laughed often, and loved much."
-Unknown



alison p. block
dance

"You may say the wisest thing you can old man-
you who have lived 70 years- not without honor of
a kind- I hear an irresistible voice which
invites me away from all of that."
-Henry David Thoreau

sarah e. bishop
music

"Of course it is happening in your head, Harry, but
why on earth should that mean it's not real?"
-Albus Dumbledore

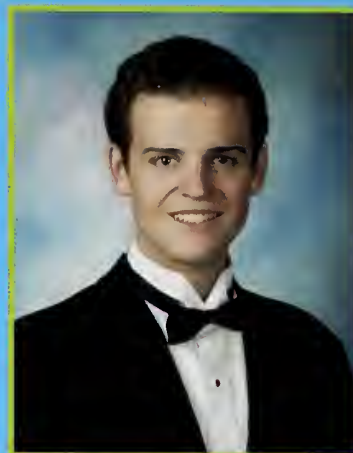


"Don't compromise yourself. You're all you've got."
-Janis Joplin

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience but where he stands in times of challenge and controversy."
-Martin Luther King Jr.

Love to Mom, Dad, Kaley, FMHS '08, friends, and Iris Ensemble.

austin j. boykin
drama



"When I die, I want them to play the BLACK AND CRAZY BLUES, I want to be cremated, put in a bag of pot and I want beautiful people to smoke me and hope they got something out of it."
-Rahsaan Roland Kirk



owen j. broder
music

mikella b. bryant
dance



"Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else."
-1 Thessalonians 5:15

"If I had a world of my own, everything would be nonsense. Nothing would be what it is, because everything would be what it isn't. And contrary wise, what is, it wouldn't be. And what it wouldn't be, it would. You see?"
-Alice in Wonderland

"We're all mad here." -Alice in Wonderland



ed burke
music

"Ice is starting to form, ending what I begun' I am locked in my head, with what I've done. I know you tried to rescue me; didn't let anyone in. Left with a trace of all that was, and all that could have been." -Trent Reznor

"Once my heart was filled with the love of a girl. I held her close, but she faded in the night, like a poem I meant to write. And the leaves are green turn to brown, and they wither in the wind, and they crumble in your hand."
-Simon and Garfunkel



brittany c. butler
dance

"You know what nothing can ever change what we
have always been, and always will be to each other."
-Anonymous

"I heard it was long I heard it was hard, but we'll
come back alive because only the strong survive."
-Anonymous

nicholas j. cannon
visual arts



"We have no clue what we want.
If we did life would be boring."
-Nick Cannon

"I was thinking of a plan to dye one's whiskers green."
-Lewis Carroll

"They splashed into the deep blue sea,
oh it was a wonderful splash." -Conor Oberst

"To live is so startling that it leaves little time for anything
else...To love is so startling that it leaves
little time for anything else." -Emily Dickinson

"We feel sorry because we cry, angry because we strike, afraid
because we tremble." -William James

"Please, consider me a dream." -Franz Kafka

"And then what happens?" -Jean Claude Van Italle, A Fable



celina chapin
drama

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams, live the
life you've imagined." -Henry David Thoreau

"What the world needs now is love, sweet love." -Hal David

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You
can steer yourself in any direction you choose. You're on your own.

And you know what you know. You are the guy
who'll decide where to go." -Dr. Seuss

To Paige. "But I have jello!" -My Best Friend's Wedding
"Non Jen e regretted rien."

To all my friends, I love you! It's been an amazing four years!

adam chavis
dance



"The oldest profession in the world
isn't whoring, it's acting."
- Marlon Brando

noah daulton
drama



"Eagles may soar,
but at least weasels
don't get sucked into jet engines."



elizabeth g church
music

kristina cox
visual arts



"Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.
Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond
measure. We ask ourselves, 'Who am I to be
brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous?' Actually,
who are you not to be? We were born to make
manifest the glory of God that is within us. And as
we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give
other people permission to do the same."

-Marianne Williamson

"An artist's life is the constant process of perfection."



daniel culpepper
dance

"You have to make the change that you wish to see in yourself."

"The average person experiences brief moments of bliss, where
their lives seem fulfilled and everything is right as it should be.

During those moments, one might grow as an individual,
mentally, physically, or spiritually and feel as if their lives are
fulfilled and everything is right as it should be. Imagine this one
moment, a moment that might only last from a few seconds, to a
few minutes, except this time, it lasts for a year."

"To the world you might be one person, but to one person, you
might be the world."



kyle davis
dance

"Whatever you do, do with all your might." -Aesop

"As far as the laws of mathematics refer to reality,
they are not certain; as far as they are certain, they
do not refer to reality" -Albert Einstein

"Imagination is more important than knowledge."
-Albert Einstein

william davis
music



"I've got no deeds to do, no promises to keep,
I'm dappled and drowsy and ready to sleep.
Let the morning time drop all it's petals on
me. Life, I love you, all is groovy."
-Simon and Garfunkel

Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain
that the believer would stake his life on it a thousand times. This
knowledge of and confidence in God's grace makes men glad and bold and
happy in dealing with God and with all creatures." -Martin Luther

Knight 1: We are now no longer the Knights who say Ni.

Knight 2: Ni.

Other Knights: Shh...

Knight 1: We are now the Knights who say...

"Eeki-Eeki-Eeki-Eeki-PTANG, Zoom-Boing, Z'nourrwingmm.

"Your mother was a hamster and your father smelt of elderberries!"

-Monty Python and the Holy Grail

"Size matters not." -Yoda



kaylin davison
music

"Try not. Do or do not, there is no try."
-Yoda

tyler dease
music



I would like to extend a thank-you from the bottom of my heart to my incredible family, friends, and teachers. Without all your continued support, nothing in my life thus far would have been possible. I cannot believe I am a high school senior, about to embark on the never-ending journey of life. Who knows what lies in the realm of the future, but I am eager to find out.

For beautiful eyes, look for the good in others; for beautiful lips, speak only words of kindness; and for poise, walk with the knowledge that you are never alone."

-Audrey Hepburn

barri r. defrancisci
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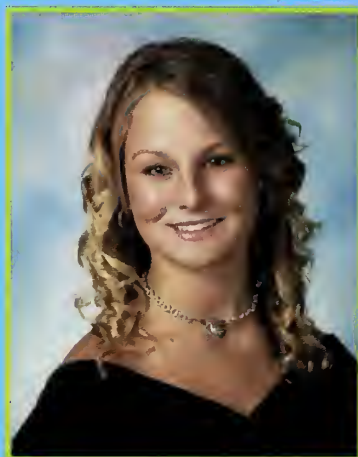


"I'm a born-again atheist"
-Gore Vidal



zachary h. denning
music

erika a. desimone
dance



"If you love something set it free, if it's yours it will come back, if it doesn't, it never was."

"Who are you to judge the life I live, I know I'm not perfect and I don't live to be, but before you start pointing fingers make sure your hands are clean"

-Bob Marley



kelsey n. dickerson
dance

"I love you more than Sushi and the Sky." -My Mom
"There is no such thing as failure. Mistakes happen in your life to bring into focus more clearly who you really are." -Oprah Winfrey

"There are no mistakes, no coincidences. All events are blessings given to us to learn from."

-Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

"Know your limits, not so that you can honor them, but so that you can smash them to pieces and reach for magnificence." -Cherie Carter-Scott

"Just think love." -Laury Hill



andrea b. dobbs
music

"We are the music makers,
we are the dreamers of dreams"
-Arthur O'Shaughnessy

mara c. driscoll
dance



"Never underestimate the importance
of a daffodil."

"We were wearing milk suds sleeveless"



jocelyn a. edwards
visual arts

"There's a place for us, somewhere a place for us.
Peace and quiet and open air, wait for us, somewhere."
-Stephen Sondheim (West Side Story)

"To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also
dream; not only plan, but also believe." -Anatole France
"Dance for yourself, if someone understands, good. If not then
no matter, go right on doing what you love." -Lois Hurst
"Each friend represents a world in us, a world possibly not
born until they arrive, and it is only by this meeting
that a new world is born." -Anais Nin
"...The Middle East." -Luv ya, A-CREST-I

julia p. eisen
dance



zachary i. eley-durbin

music

"What does not kill us makes us hotter"



"By some strange, unknown, inward urgency he
is not really alive unless he is creating."

-Pearl Buck

"If a man does not keep pace with his companions,
perhaps it is because he hears a different
drummer. Let him step to the music which he
hears, however measured or far away."

-Henry David Thoreau



hannah c. emersor

dance

jenna englert

visual arts



"Ain't no time to hate, barely time to wait."

-Grateful Dead, Uncle John's band thanks



gloria m. fernandez

visual arts

"The world is round and the place
which may seem like the end
may also be only the beginning."

-Ivy Baker



micah fields
music

"Neither a lofty degree of intelligence, nor imagination nor both together go to the making of genius. Love, love, love, that is the soul of genius." -Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
"Music is the one incorporeal entrance into the higher world of knowledge which comprehends mankind but which mankind cannot comprehend." -Ludwig Van Beethoven
"My only real interest in music is to explore sounds that move me, they could be my own or other peoples, and that feeling that you get when it moves you is my main addiction."
-Jasmine Rodgers

richard m. foley
dance



"Live. Laugh. Love. Be."

"I was born in the backseat of a yellow cab in the hospital loading zone, with the meter still running. I emerged needing a shave and shouted, 'Time Square, and step on it.'"
-Tom Waits



william b. french
drama

"My tongue's the only muscle in my body that works harder than my heart."
-Brand New

samantha r. friend
visual arts

"For once you have tasted flight you will walk the earth with your eyes turned skywards, for there you have been and there you will long to return."
-Leonardo DaVinci



"Never take life seriously.
Nobody gets out alive anyway."

hope gaines
dance



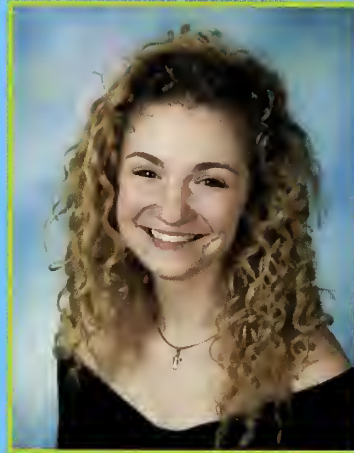
"It is not in the stars to hold our destiny, but in
ourselves." -William Shakespeare

"Love never fails." -1 Corinthians 13:8

"The future belongs to those who believe in the
beauty of their dreams." -Eleanor Roosevelt

.love.

paloma garcia-lee
drama



lauren gerber
music



"Sometimes there's so much beauty in the world I feel
like I can't take it, like my heart's going to cave in."
-American Beauty

"How much has to be explored and discarded before
reaching the naked flesh of feeling?" -Claude Debussy

"All the world is birthday cake so take a piece
but not too much." -The Beatles

briana gribben
visual arts



"When I look back on all the crap I
learned in High School, it's a wonder I
can think at all. I know my lack of
education hasn't hurt me none.
I can read the writing on the wall."
-Paul Simon



corey grunenburg
dance

"Strength through adversity"

"The strongest steel is forged by the fires of hell. It is pounded and struck repeatedly before its plunged back into the molten fire. The fire gives it power and flexibility and the blows give it strength, those two things make the metal pliable and able to withstand every battle it's called upon to fight."

-Sherrilyn Kenyon

christine haag
visual arts



"Badly is an adverb. So to say you feel badly would be saying that the mechanism which allows you to feel is broken."

-Kiss Kiss, Bang Bang

"Writing is acting is directing is living your life."

-John Patrick Shanley

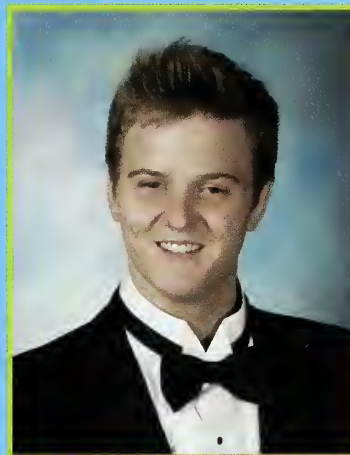
"It's time for cool to die. The death of cool would do what? It would probably bring more tones, more color, more emotion, more love, more raw spirit, more argument, more energy. More authenticity? More compassion? More laughter? More tears? More open hearts? Try it. Be uncool. As uncool as you can possibly be...be hot." -ADS

"All you need is love," -The Beatles

"Leap and the net will appear" -John Burroughs

"One has only to read, to look, to listen, to remember." -Virginia Woolf

"All things go" -Sufjan Stevens



keith hair
drama

"It is our choices that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities." -Albus Dumbledore

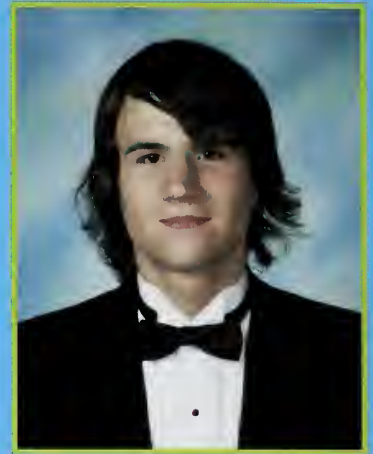
laura elizabeth hall
drama

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose," -Romans 8:28

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me," -Psalm 23:4



alexander hardy
music



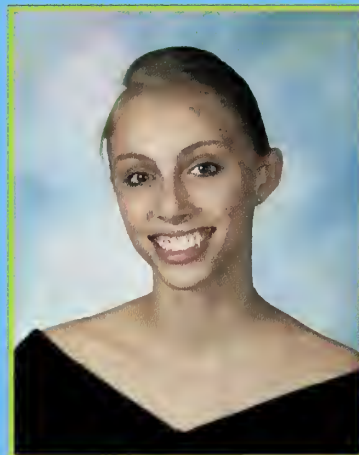
Love, a temporary insanity.

"Procrastination is our
substitute for immortality."
-Benjamin Kunkel



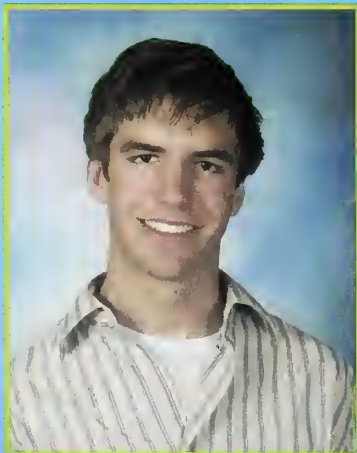
justus w. harris
visual arts

ashley t. hathaway
dance



"Soon we must all face the choice between
what is right and what is easy." -J.K. Rowling

"Do not worry if you have built your castles in the
air. They are where they should be.
Now put the foundations under them."
-Henry David Thoreau



michael a. hoover
music

"What do you want me to do,
dress in drag and do the hula?"



thomas patrick
hughes ys
music

"I think a life in music is a life beautifully spent and this is what I have devoted my life to." -Luciano Pavarotti

"We all die. The goal is not to live forever; it is to create something that will." -Chuck Palahnuik

"When the day is done, all that I can say is it was a song well sung." -Thomas P. Hughes YS

emily r. igoe
dance



"The flower that blooms in adversity is the most rare and beautiful of all." -The Emperor of China (Mulan)

"I won't tell anyone that you skip pages if you don't tell anyone that I run into glass doors." -Mac Hooper

"Minor things can become moments of great revelation when encountered for the first time." -Margot Fonteyn

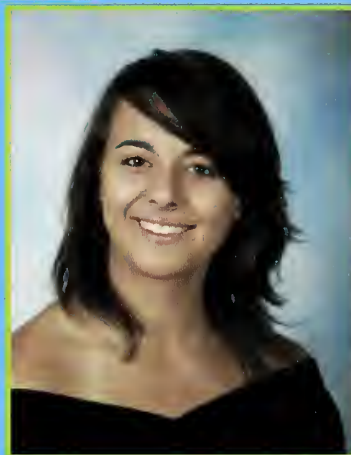
"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on." -Robert Frost

"OKay"

"Magically bored on a quiet corner free frustration in our minds and toes quiet storm water M-m-my generation"

-The Who

"Floating down the stream of time, from life to life with me, Makes no difference where you are or where you'd like to be, It's all too much for me to take, The love that's shining all around here, All the world is birthday cake, So take a piece but not too much, It's all too much for me to take, The love that's shining all around you, Everywhere it's what you make for us to take, it's all too much." -The Beatles



sarah e. ingel
dance

"People do desperate things when they are desperate."

"Keep an equilibrium between the Arts and Academics, do not let either deviate too far."

henry l. jiang
music



"I don't want to achieve immortality through work.
I want to achieve it through not dying."
-Woody Allen

"Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana."
-Groucho Marx

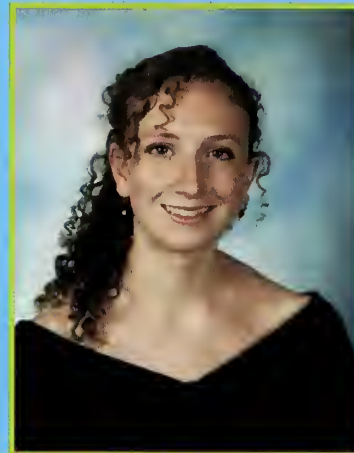
"Come on!" said Christopher Robin. "Where?" said Pooh.
'Anywhere,' said Christopher Robin.
So they went off together.
But wherever they go, and whatever happens to them
on the way, in that enchanted place on the top of the
forest, a little boy and his bear will always be
playing."
-A.A. Milne, The House at Pooh Corner

"The best way is always through." -Robert Frost

john kossler
music



cleo ledet
dance



kelsey e. lee
dance



"To watch us dance is to hear our hearts beat."
-Hopi Indian saying

"We don't know who we are until we see
what we can do." -Martha Grimes

"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss,
you'll land among the stars."
-Les Brown

kathleen r. leigh
dance



"Live and let live."
-Mrs. Badger



courtney "lopey" lopes
dance

"Sometimes there's some people you
just can't live without..."

I love you Mom, Dad and Chris

"And I hope this jammin's gonna last." -B.M.

"meow"

kerri c. lowe
drama



"Every moment of your life is infinitely creative and
the universe is endlessly bountiful. Just put forth a
clear enough request, and everything your heart
desires must come to you." -Mahatma Gandhi

"I will come clean cause the cleaner I get is the
messiest yet." -Picbald, "The Rock Revolution"

"No explanation, no mix of words or music or memories
can touch that sense of knowing that you were there
and alive in that corner of time and the world.

Whatever it meant." -Hunter S. Thompson

"The knack of flying is learning how to
throw yourself at the ground and miss."
-Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy



lia m. malin
visual arts

"From the ashes, fire shall be woken, Light from shadow shall
spring. Renewed shall be blade that was broken.

The crownless again shall be king."
"Peas and Carrots."

"Her clothing glinted in the moon, As on a hill-top high and
far, She danced, and at her feet was strewn, A mist of silver
quivering, He saw the eleven flowers spring, About her feet,
and healed again, He longed by her to dance and sing
Upon the grass untroubling"

"Joanna!"

"What would you do during a tornado?" "I'd go in my craft
closet and make a wreath." "...I'd take the pantry." -Falimy

lindsey matheis
dance



"I Heart A Nice Bowl of Cereal in the Morn."

-Anna McKinsey

anna mckinsey

visual arts



"Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart." -Psalm 37:4

"Don't ever let someone tell you, you can't do something. You got a dream, you got to protect it. People can't do something themselves, they want to tell you, you can't do it. You want something, you got to go get it. Period."

-The Pursuit of Happyness

lydia mcrae

dance



thomas mcshane

music



"I do not know what I may appear to the world, but to myself I seem to have been only a boy playing on the sea-shore, and diverting myself in now and then finding a smoother pebble or a prettier shell than ordinary, whilst the great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me." -Sir Issac Newton

"I wanna say something. I'm gonna put it out there; if you like it, you can take it, if you don't, send it right back. I want to be on you." -Ron Burgundy

christine meyer

visual arts

"Happiness is like peeing in your pants.

Everyone can see it but only you can feel its warmth."

-Anonymous





joanna michelic
dance

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." -Jeremiah 29:11
"And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." -Colossians 2:14
"I'm going to go take a shower and contemplate both of our lives." -Adam Michelic
"Bes' sis' worl' 'nigh' 'morrow 'nigh' dancing ponies Lipizzan, 'oo ca' 'ickle 'ee, I go'a 'oopah I' my mouth! One, two, one, two, BUNHEADS RULE!!!!" -To Becca
Squishy. Sexy. Censored. Herbal sit.

christopher moran
music



"Do what you can, where you are, with what you have!"
-Teddy Roosevelt
"Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself."
-Unknown
"For I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me the strength I need." -Philippians 4:13
"Shout with joy to the Lord, O earth! Worship the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy." -Psalm 100:1-2
"I play the notes as they are written, but it is God who makes the music." -Johann Sebastian Bach
"Music is the moonlight in the gloomy night of life."
-Jean Paul Richter

"Extra"



brandon morgan
visual arts

"Follow your heart, live for your dreams, don't settle for less than what God has intended. Be true to yourself, faithful to friends, loyal to family, and love till the end."

zachary morris
music



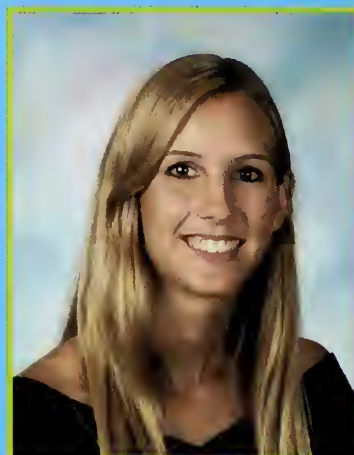
"Never look back again; never waste your time in the present; never waste your energy; forget the past and rejoice in the fact that you are what you are by the grace of God... you may yet have the greatest surprises of your life and existence." -Martyn Lloyd Jones

"This above all: to thine own self be true."
-William Shakespeare

michaela morton
drama



"Grow up, and that is a terribly hard thing to do. It is much easier to skip it and go from one childhood to another."
-F. Scott Fitzgerald



nathalie murrow
visual arts

lynn nakazawa
music



"Courage is the power to let go of the familiar."
-Raymond Linquist



scott nicholson
drama

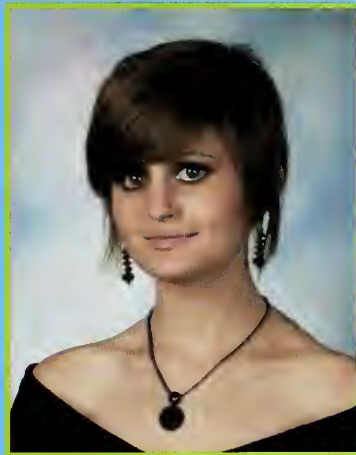
"It's party time! P-A-R-T...why?
Because I got to!!"
-The Mask



jing niu
visual arts

"ooh baby, let me fix my weave."
-M. Elliott

amy norman
visual arts



"Stop that, raincat."

"Frisbeetarianism is the belief that
when you die, your soul goes up on
the roof and gets stuck."
-George Carlin



russell norman
music

"Kiss the girl."

scott o'toole
music



"A tree laden with fruit, always bends low. So, if thou wantest to be great, be low and meek." -Rama Krishna

"It eluded us then, but that's no matter -- tomorrow we will run faster, stretch out our arms farther. ... And one fine morning -- So we beat on, boats against the current, borne back ceaselessly into the past."
-F. Scott Fitzgerald

bindhu pamarthi
dance



"He who would learn to fly one day must first learn to stand and walk and run and climb and dance. one cannot fly into flying."
-Friedrich Nietzsche



andrew j. park
music

alan pearce
music



"In every walk with nature one receives more than he seeks." -John Muir
"To play great music, you must keep your eyes on a distant star." -Yehudi Menuhin
"The aim and final end of all music should be none other than the glory of God and the refreshment of the soul." -Johann Sebastian Bach
"If pain is your friend, you can do anything."



charles w. peelee
visual arts

"I lost my one card"
"Oh, I have no idea"
"Pink cake yeh" -H

"All these years I've been opening my window and making love to the world."
-Kurt Vonnegut, Slaughter Houses



aaron c. pennington
visual arts

"Throughout history,
it has been the inaction of those who could have acted;
the indifference of those who should have known better;
the silence of the voice of justice when it mattered most;
that has made it possible for evil to triumph."

-King Haile Selassie I

alysha a. perrin
dance



"We did not change as we grew older; we just became more clearly ourselves." -Lynn Hall
"To dance is to be out of yourself. Larger, more beautiful, more powerful. This is power, it is glory on earth and it is yours for the taking." -Agnes De Mille
"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did. So throw off the bowlines, sail away from the safe harbor, catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream." -Mark Twain

"When you wake up in the morning, Pooh," said Piglet at last, "what's the first thing you say to yourself?"

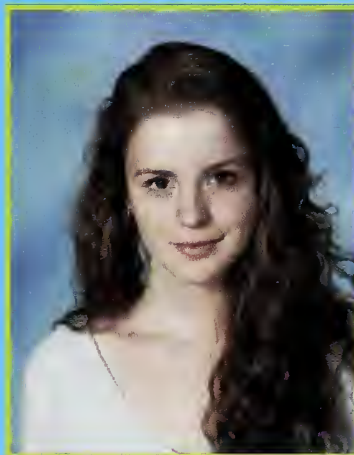
"What's for breakfast?" said Pooh.

"What do you say, Piglet?"

"I say, I wonder what's going to happen exciting today?" said Piglet.

Pooh nodded thoughtfully.

"It's the same thing," he said.



germaine n. persinger
music

"Man is born free,
and everywhere he is in chains.
One man thinks himself the master
of others, but remains more of a
slave than they are."

-Jean-Jacques Rousseau

kaitlyn h. phillips
visual arts



"Music is easy; just play the right notes at the right time with the right sense of style and musicality."

-Anonymous

john pratt
music



"Life beats down and crushes the soul, and art reminds you that you have one."

-Stella Adler

meredith price
drama



lauren pschirrer
dance



"And all your friends they live in your smile" -O.A.R.

"Let's just hug it out"

"Every great achievement was once considered impossible"

"We dance for laughter, we dance for tears, we dance for madness, we dance for fears, we dance for hope, we dance for screams, we are dancers, and we create dreams."

"Dance is your impulse, your heartbeat, your breathing. It's the expression in time and movement, in happiness, joy, sadness, and envy." -Jacques D'Amboise

"Dance from your heart and love your music and the audience will love you in return." -Maria

samip ravel
drama



"Theater does not die until the last dream has been dreamt."

-Declan Donellan



hannah reed
visual arts

"I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in the wood, and
I...I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference."
-Robert Frost

"Always look on the bright side of life."
-Monty Python

greg reynolds
visual arts



"Last night you were unhinged. You were
like some desperate, howling demon.
You frightened me. Do it again."
-Marticia Addams

"Man is nothing but what he becomes
through his actions so an individual's
projects must be projects not of being but of
doing, making, and having."
-Jean-Paul Sartre



taya ricker
music

"Praise His Name!"
"Everything has a purpose on this earth and all
things fulfill their purpose- seaweed, dung beetles,
parasites- without agonizing or questioning. We
are the only part of Creation that is blinded by
desires and thus ignore our particular purpose,
individually and collectively, and spend our lives
in mad pursuit of nothingness."
-Cottfried Llewelyn-Jones

jenna riley
music



"Celebrate what you've accomplished, but
raise the bar a little higher
each time you succeed."

-Mia Hamm

elizabeth roach
dance



"Energy is seductive." -Dianne Markham

"The art of choreography is learning what
you've been taught to forget." -Trish Casey

"Sometimes you must sacrifice your ego
to make it work." -Trish Casey

alia roberts
dance



thomas rowell
drama



"That that is is;
so I, being Master Parson, am Master Parson;
for what is 'that' but 'that',
and 'is' but 'is'?"
-William Shakespeare



josh sains-corn
dance

"Being fully alive calls you to
play a much bigger role in life...
Evolving to your optimal potential to
levels of greatness you never thought possible."

"Most of our life is a series of images. They pass us by
like towns on the highway. But sometimes a moment
stuns us as it happens. And we know that this instant
is more than a fleeting image. We know that this
moment, every part of it,
will live on forever."



chase salmons
music

"Man has searched the world over for its reason. We seek more than the seen. We settle for compensation. Pulsating magnets of compulsion; Polarities reversed, Creating collisions Deemed "progress," Until we see it. What is the wisdom of man to the foolishness of God, if it is? See but the eyes of the infant and know, A hope lies beyond taller cliffs. Such peace waits for us to take hold and know, Salvation is at hand."

nichele saruwatari
dance

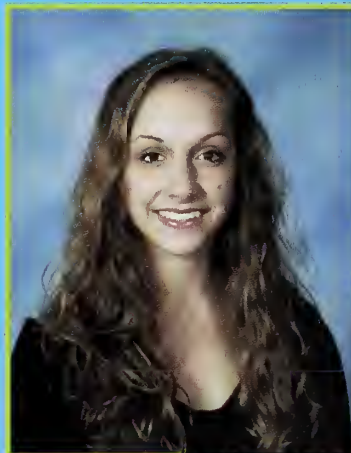


"A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin on little minds." -Ralph Waldo Emerson

"Be the change you want to see in the world."
-Mahatma Gandhi

"There is only one of you in all time, this expression is unique. And if you block it, it will never exist through any medium and will be lost."
-Martha Graham

"Being grown up isn't half as fun as growing up, these are the best days of our lives. The only thing that matters is just following your heart, and eventually you'll finally get it right."
-The Ataris



anna schmoker
dance

"We are the music-makers, and we are the dreamers of dreams, wandering by lone sea-breakers, and sitting by desolate streams; world-losers and world-forsakers, on whom the pale moon gleams; yet we are the movers and shakers of the world forever, it seems."
-Arthur O'Shaughnessy

liam scott
music

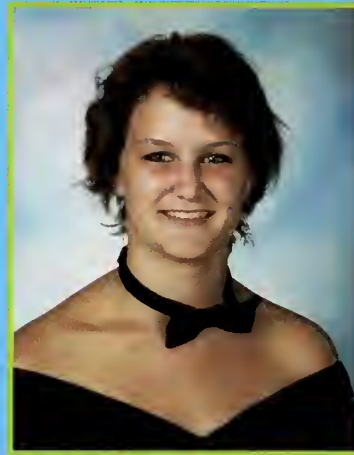


Life is full of surprises so take risks,
but if you mess up never give up.
Give yourself chances and
you will succeed.

lakea shepard
visual arts



"There's treasure everywhere."
-Calvin & Hobbes



brooke
sinkinson-withrow
visual arts

christopher sizemore
music



I looked upon that cold lit evening,
Through trees, the sun,
And moon's delight -
To find what had me
At present was leaving
Swiftly,
Slowly,
Walking alight.



christopher smith
music

"DANGIT"
-Alan



hannah smith
dance

"To everything there is a season,
and a time to every purpose under heaven
...a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance..
-Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

annalise stalls
music



"There's a dog trapped in your guitar."

"I used to get really bummed out playing
sports because I never won any trophies.
Then I realized you can buy trophies.
Now I'm a winner everyday."
-Demetri Martin



sloan thompson
drama

"Be a first rate version of yourself, not a second
rate version of someone else."
-Judy Garland

madelyn trinwith
drama

"Life is just what happens to you while you're
busy making other plans."
-John Lennon



"Don't gain the world and lose your soul. Wisdom is better than silver and gold." -Bob Marley

"Great Spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds." -Albert Einstein

"You were once wild here.

Don't let them tame you," -Isadora Duncan

"I'm at the top of the top but still I climb, and if I should ever fall the ground will then turn to wine... pop!" -Li' Wayne

"Boudin Boudin, we be Boudin Boudin." -Sean Paul

Namaste. Love you all.

Creeper, keep grippin the grain... Je t'aime. -Freaker

nathalia trogdon
dance



"You have sweet ears..."
-Traditional Ghanaian saying



nate tucker
music

rafael vargas
visual arts



"If they get you, they got you."



chiara
von der goltz
drama

"Actors are sweet and silly people, and I am one of them."

-Katherine Hepburn

"If you dig it, do it. If you really dig it, do it twice." -Jim Croce

"I was meant for the stage, I was meant for the curtain. I was meant to tread these boards of this much I am certain. The heavens at my birth intended me for stardom, Rays of light shone down on me and all my sins were pardoned. I was meant for applause. I was meant for derision. Nothing short of fate itself, has affected my decision." -The Decemberists (I was meant for the stage)



kyle walker
music

"Even a broken clock is right at least twice a day!" -Anonymous
"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." -Emerson

"My good friend Zimmerman once said..." -C. Matthews
"Information is moving - you know, nightly news is one way, of course, but it's also moving through the blogosphere and through the Internets." -Appointed President, George W. Bush
"Question: What's an Intel chip doing inside a Mac Answer: A lot more than it ever did inside a PC." -Anonymous

christopher
wiesenberger
music



"It is cruel, you know, that music should be so beautiful. It has the beauty of loneliness and pain, of strength and freedom. The beauty of disappointment and never-satisfied love. The cruel beauty of nature and everlasting beauty of monotony."
-Benjamin Britten

"Live to love or die to live."



jamar williams
drama

"The greatest use of life is to spend it for something that will out last it."
-John Mack

john winstead
music



"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."
Philippians 4:13

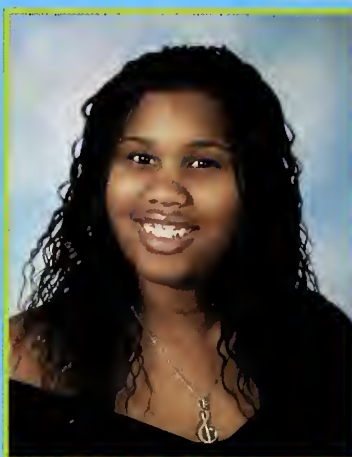
"Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind
don't matter and those who matter don't mind." -Dr. Seuss

"I guess that's what happens in the end, you start
thinking about the beginning." -John Smith

"You have to take the good with the bad, smile with the sad, love
what you got, and remember what you had, always forgive, but
never forget, learn from your mistakes, but never regret, people
change, things go wrong, just remember life goes on."

"Logic will get you from A to B.
Imagination will take you
everywhere."
-Albert Einstein

jemeesa yarborough
music



"Jemeesa you will never be a number you will always be a name."
-Carey Maher

Mom, you light my path and make a way.

Dad, you are my wisdom and guiding light.

Kimberly, Jacquena, Jewell, and Maya, you are an inspiration to
me; you make me whole and keep me focused.

Stepdad, you spark hope and inspire my ambitions.

Aunt Missy, you keep me strong.

Rebecca, our friendship means the world.

Ms. Pratniki, you are the truth and faith on my musical journey.

To the rest of my family, friends, host parents, and teachers, you
are the drive in my dream and strength of my character.

You are truly loved.

"I've always wanted a pet squirrel
(named Elephant) since I came to the U.
S. and I still don't have one. I see them
running around everyday on campus,
but I just can't get my hands on them!
That is highly disappointing."

qiudi zhang
music



cassandra wyatt
dance



kyle yagle
visual arts



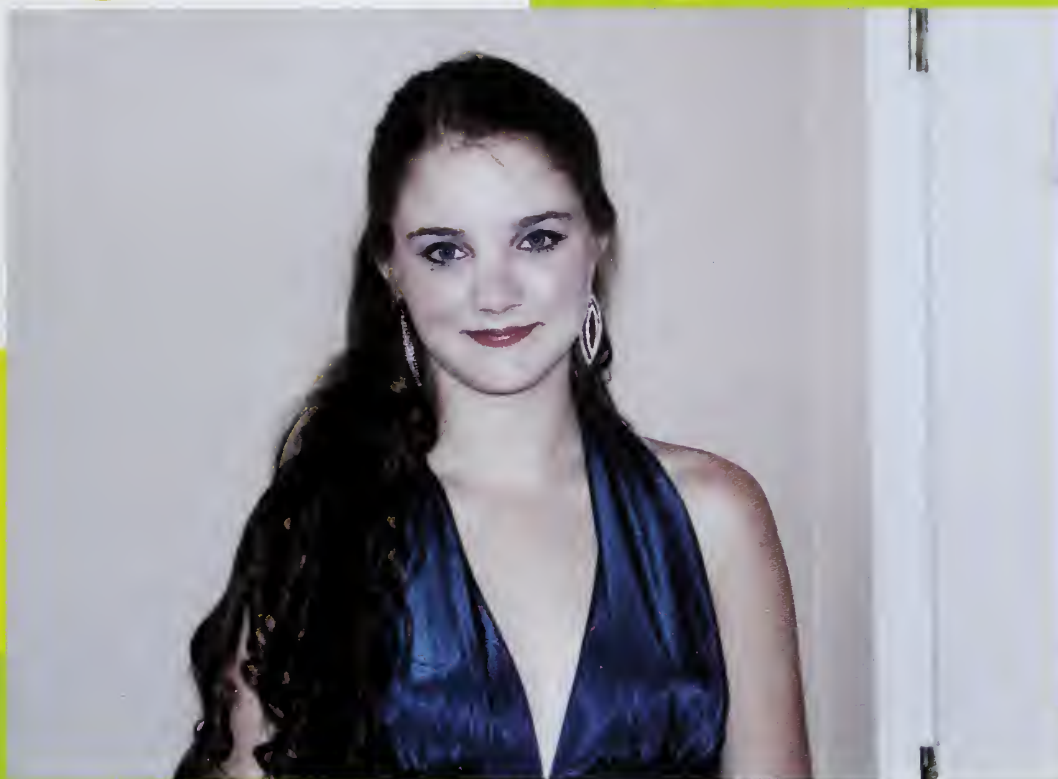
Congratulations Paige!

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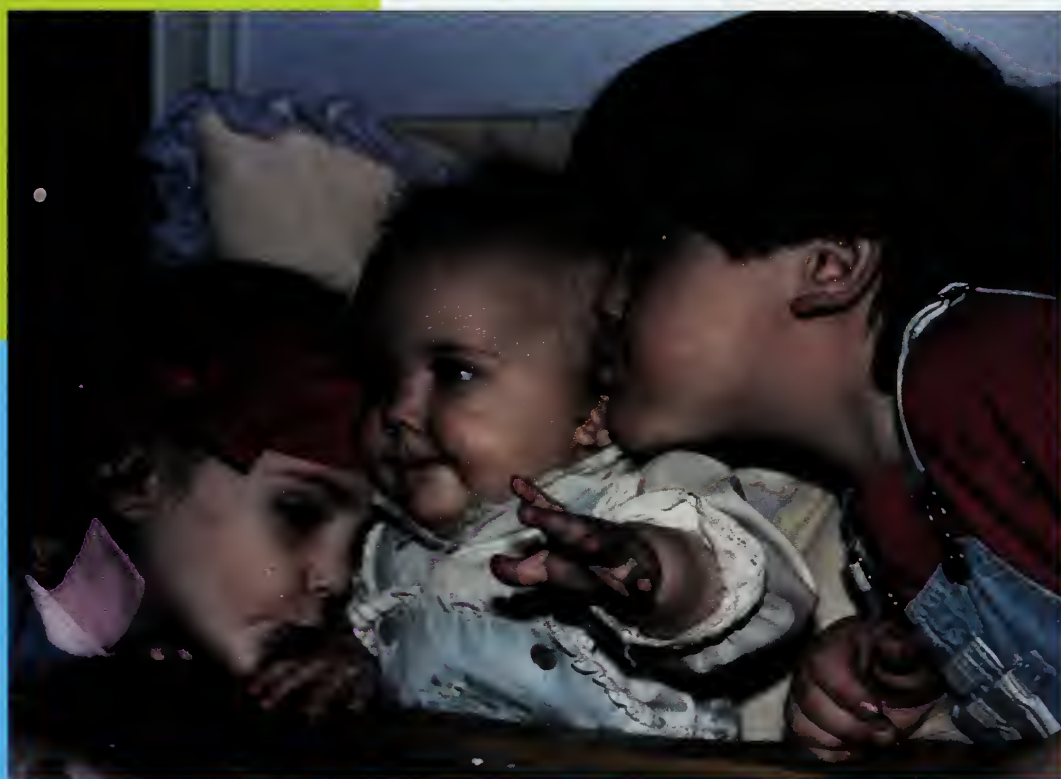
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Paige Adams

We are so proud of you!



We Love You! Mom, Dad, Matthew & Emily

Brittany Bailey



Dear Brittany,
You are truly a blessing from
God. May your life remain as
special as you are to others.

With all our love,
Mom, Dad and Amanda



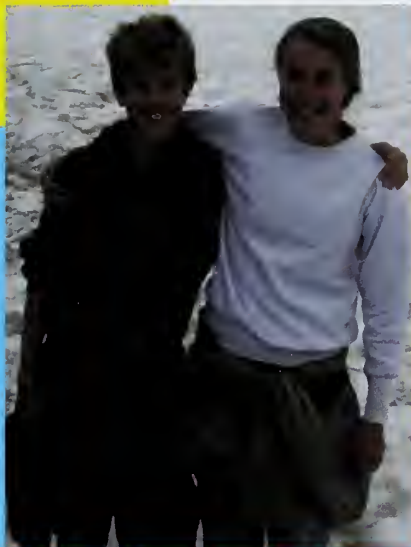
Hannah Barefoot

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Hannah,

You awe and amaze us with your kindness, talent, love of life and excellent taste in shoes. We have watched you grow from the little girl who left drawings on our pillows to the dedicated art student creating accomplished pieces. It will be a joy to see what the future brings. We love you. We're so proud of you. You fill our hearts,

Dad, Mom and Eric



You're the sunshine on a cloudy day; you're the moon goddess. You're everything bright and beautiful. Destined for success, a creative kaleidoscope of laughter, talent, brains and promise. Thank you for filling our lives with such exquisite happiness.

From Your Mom and Dad
And All of Us Who Love You



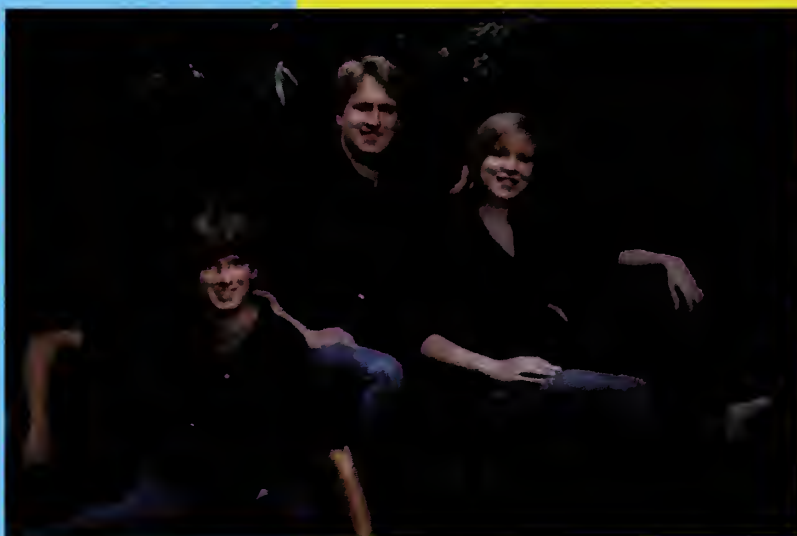
Celina Chapin

Sarah Bishop



Congratulations Sarah!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Matthew & Philip



Alison Block



"As the curtain rises in front of me, I am overcome with emotion, and I am nearly driven to tears because of how magical this moment feels. I know the challenge that lies ahead of me. Dancing the ballet will be grueling. It requires an incredible amount of stamina and, therefore, willpower. However, after months and months of long, intense rehearsal and taxing run-throughs of the ballet, I can barely contain my emotions: the mix of nerves, excitement, and passion that I feel. As the orchestra begins to play, I realize that I am prepared to face this challenge. The music is right, the choreography is right, and I am ready to perform.

The time is here. Everything is right. And everything fits."

-Alison Paige Block
September 21, 2007

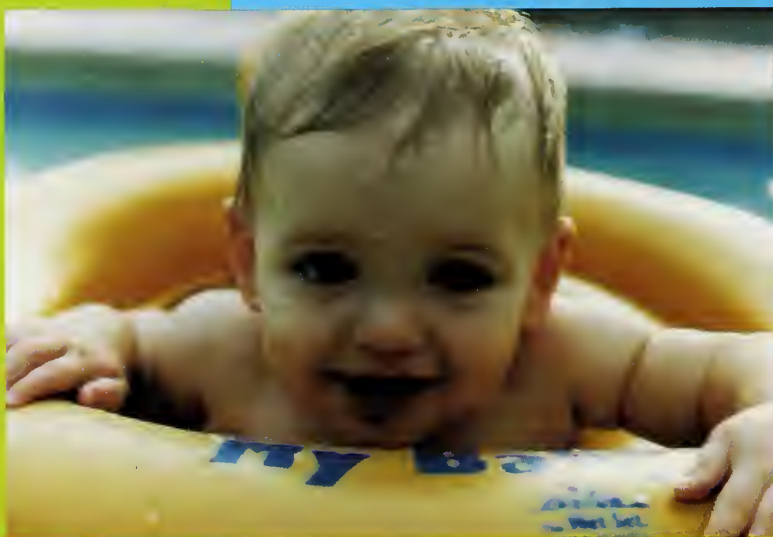
And as your curtain rises...

We will be there
Waiting in the wings,
Forever proud of you.

All our love,
Mommy, Daddy,
& Amanda

Austin Boykin

Listen to your heart.
Follow your dreams,
and know that we are
always proud of you.
Love,
Mom and Dad



Daniel Culppepper



My Nicaraguan family.



Who me?



Climb where Angels fear to tread.

...a time to weep and
a time to laugh,
a time to mourn and
a Time to Dance

Daniel,
May your life be a beautiful dance.
Love,
Dad, Mom & Lauren



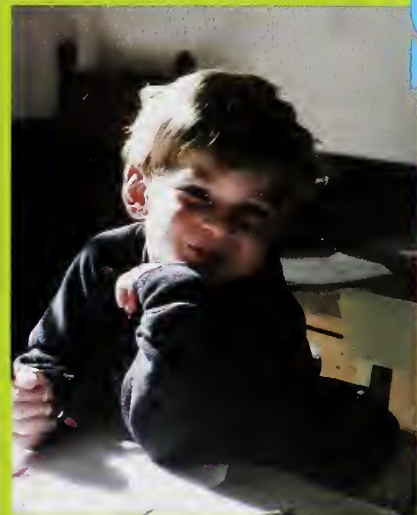
Dare to Dream.



Work hard and live your dream.



Eagle Scout.



Tyler Dease

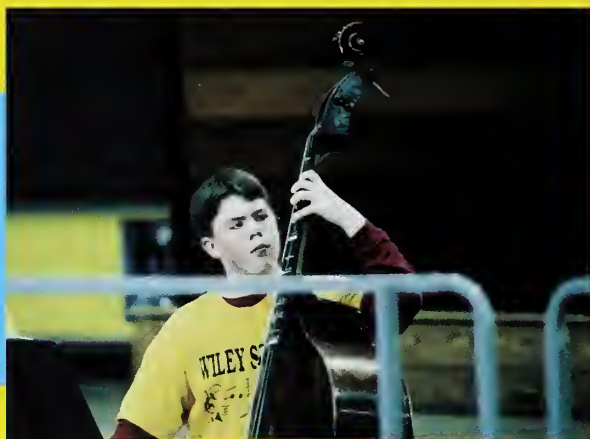


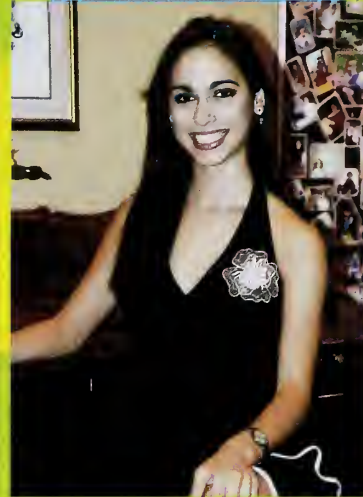
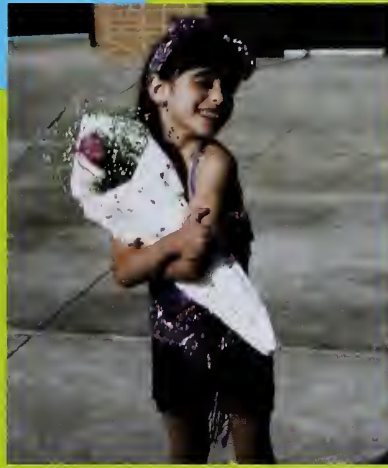
Tyler,



You delight us with your beautiful smile, infectious laughter, and gentle spirit. Follow your heart and use your talents to reach your dreams. You are a wonderful young man and we are so very proud of you.

We love you,
Mom and Dad

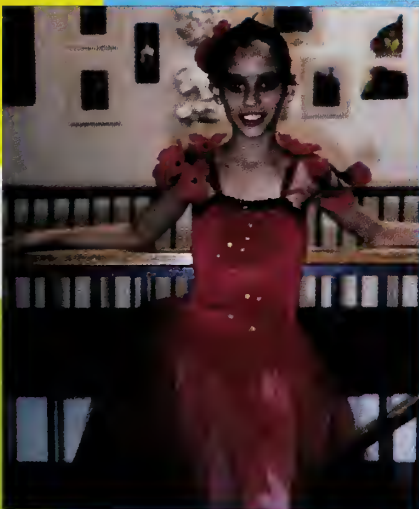




Barri,

You have created for me a lifetime of wonderful memories and special times that will always be cherished!! From ashis, ballet lessons, horse back riding, ballet lessons, Disney World, ballet lessons, Youth America Grand Prix, ballet lessons, rehearsals, recitals, pirouettes, attitudes, and driving lessons, you always continue to amaze me!! Every milestone you have achieved has brought me so much happiness and joy!! Much love and success as you continue to climb the ladder to discovering "you" and the many opportunities which lie ahead!! I'm so proud of you and to be your mom!

Love, Mommy xoxoxoxoxo



Barri DeFrancisci

My lovely Chloe, God blessed me with
you, You'll never quite know how
proud I am of all the things you do.

You came into my world, so tiny and
small; I truly was in awe at the
wonder of it all.

When you placed your little hand in
mine, There was no denying, my heart
was yours for all time.

I have watched you throughout the
years, laugh, cry, dance and grow; It is
hard to know that someday
I will have to let you go.



Chloe Auello

You've been blessed with much...
brains, beauty and grace! With
your passion and determination, I
know you'll find your place.

Just remember, dearest Chloe, from
your greatest fan, No matter how
old you are or where you may be,
There's someone who needs and
loves you, and that someone is me!

Our love always,
Mom, Dad and Alex



Cleo Ledet

Dear Cleo,

Keep dreaming
Keep dancing
And always trust the process!

We love you,
Mom & Dad



Erika DeSimone



Our "Dancing - Baby - Girl"...

Our "Toad- Baby"...

We are, as always, so very proud of the wonderful person you are.
Your passion for dance has created your strong character and integrity.

Never lose that!

We will always love you more than you could ever know.

Love,
Mom and Dad





Mara Driscoll

Mara,
Congratulations!

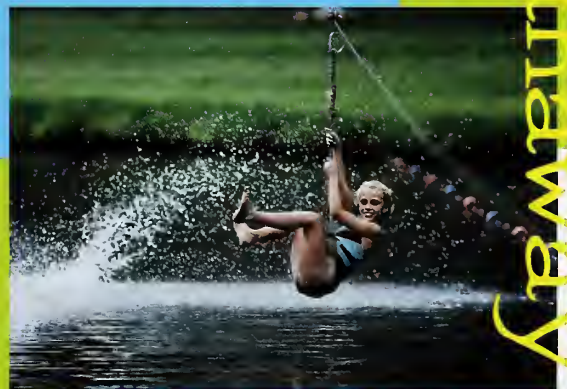
From day care to pre-school, from elementary school to high school, you've been a "special" project. Keep marching to your own drum beat and never stop reaching as high as you can. May you achieve your dreams and may you be comfortable in your own skin wherever you go.

We're proud of you!
Love, Mom and Dad

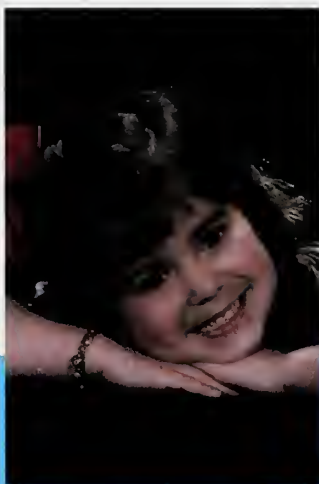


Ashley Hathaway

Dear Ashley,
We are so proud of the beautiful young woman you have become. We wish you much happiness, love, laughter, and dancing. Love always, Mom, Dad & Devon



Hannah Emerson



"To dance is to be
out of yourself...
larger, more beautiful,
more powerful."
-Agnes De Mille

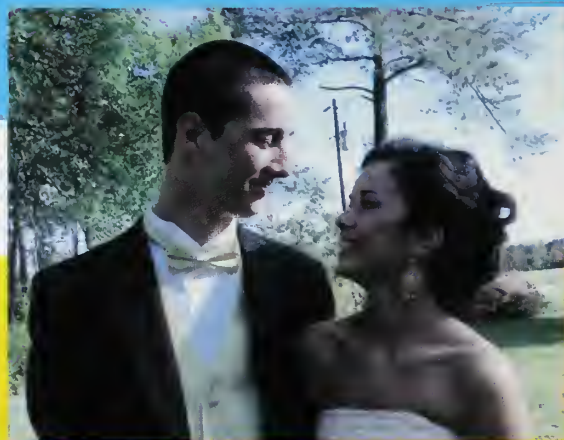


Hannah,

An unknown author once said, "Dancing with the feet is one thing but dancing with the heart is another." Let your heart help guide your choices as you take the next steps of your life. We are so happy, excited and proud of you and your future.

We love you more each day.

Dad, Mom and Caitlin



"Before you can inspire with emotion, you must be swamped with it yourself. Before you can move their tears, your own must flow. To convince them, you must yourself believe." -Winston Churchill

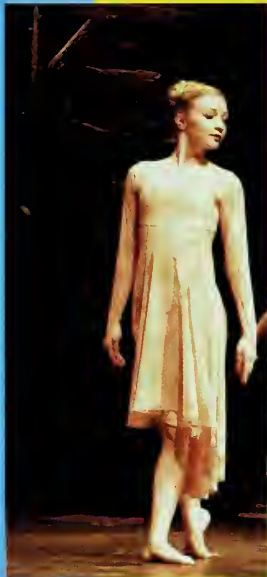
"If you dance with your heart your body will follow." -Mia Michaels



"A star danced, and under that was I born."

-Shakespeare,
Much Ado About Nothing

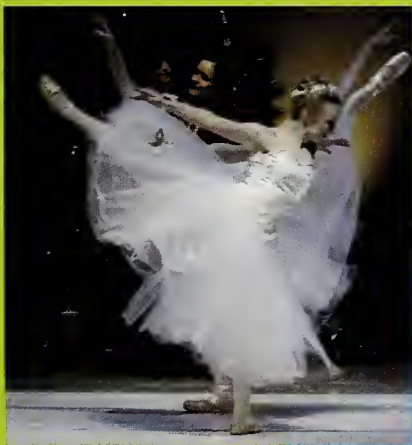
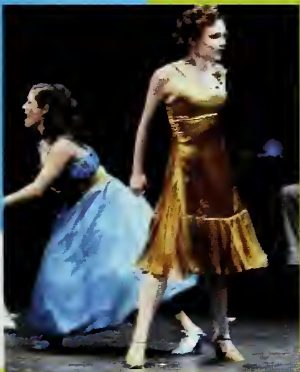
"Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them." -
Shakespeare, Twelfth Night, Act ii, Sc.5



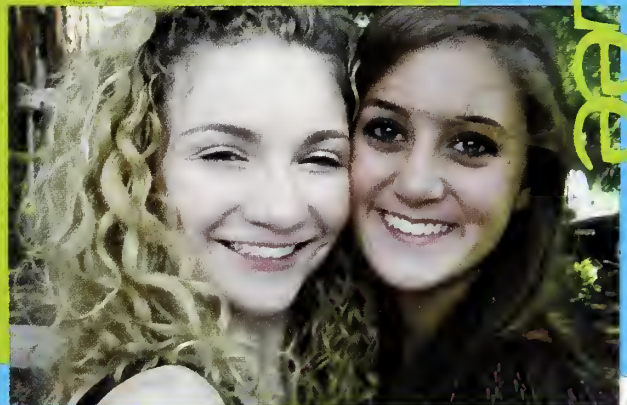
"I love acting. It is so much more real than life." -Oscar Wilde

"The thing about performance, even if it's only an illusion, is that it is a celebration of the fact that we do contain within ourselves

infinite possibilities"
-Daniel Day Lewis



"God shall be my hope,
my stay, my guide, and
a lantern to my feet."
-Shakespeare,
Henry VI, Act ii, Sc.3



"I regard the theatre as the greatest of all art forms, the most immediate way in which a human being can share with another the sense of what it is to be a human being." -Thornton Wilder

Peltona
Garcia-Lee



"Dream Big"

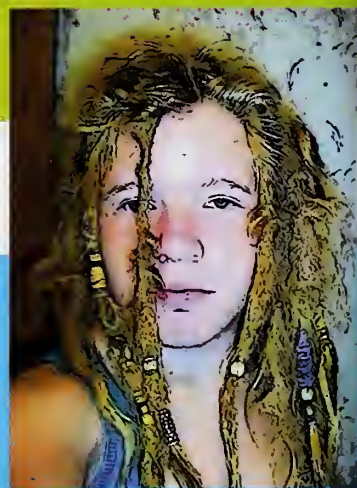
If there were ever a time to dare,
To make a difference
To embark on something worth doing
It is now.
Not for any grand cause, necessarily -
But for something that tugs at your ear
Something that is worth your aspiration
Something that is your dream.

You owe it yourself
To make your days count.
Have fun. Dig deep. Stretch.
Dream big.
Know, though,
That things worth doing
Seldom come easy,
There will be times when you want to
Turn around
Pack it up and call it quits
Those times tell you
That you are pushing yourself
And that you are not afraid to learn by trying.
Persist.

Because with an idea,
Determination and the right tools,
You can do great things.
Let your instincts, your intellect
And let your heart guide you.
Trust.
Believe in the incredible power
Of the human mind
Of doing something that makes a difference
Of working hard
Of laughing and hoping
Of lasting friends
Of all the things that will cross your path
Next year

The start of something new
Brings the hope of something great.
Anything is possible

There is only one you
And you will pass this way but once.
Do it right cause WE know you can!
We Love You!
So Very Much!



Laura Hall



The young eagle sat upon the mount
with eyes wide open, a grip so true.
From a lofty height, it set its goal, and
now the challenge called anew.

The youngling knew the time was
now. 'Soar high, young one,' the
parents bade. They watched their
child's first attempt with a love that
would not fade.

Then wings were spread; next came the
leap. The timing was just right.
With wind and glee the eagle soared;
its dreams had taken flight."

-J. Scott Hall



Laura,

We have been truly blessed to be your parents. The precious times of your youth have simply flown by, but the promise of your future, whatever it may hold, fills us with joy. We pray that God's blessings be upon you, and our main wish for your life is that it be filled with happiness and love.

We love you so much, Mom and Dad

"But they that wait upon
the LORD shall renew
their strength; they shall
mount up with wings as
eagles; they shall run, and
not be weary; and they
shall walk, and not faint."

-Isaiah 40:31



Sarah-

Always

Follow your Leading

Move from your Center - from the very core of your spiritual being

Let your Light shine just as you have always done, old soul

Grow from this moment to the next and

Always know that you are adored.

We are so very proud of and inspired by your accomplishments.

You are truly a phenomenal young woman!

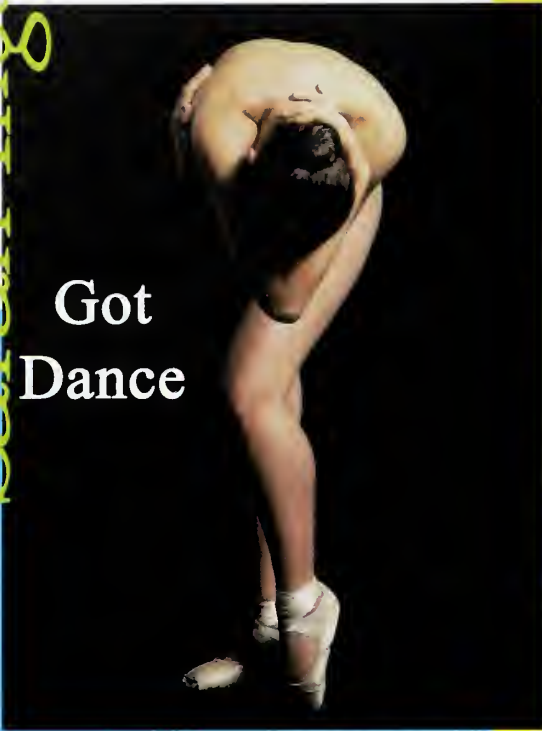
Love Always,

Mom & Dad & Ben

Jul

Sarah Ingel

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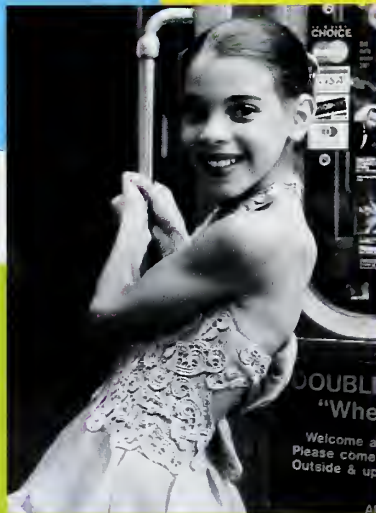


Love You,
Mom
and
Gregor



Kelsey Lee

"Once you were young and quite small for your size. And now your grown up and getting quite wise.



You have brains in your head,
You have feet in your shoes, You
can steer yourself in any direction
you choose." -Dr. Suess





Courtney Lopes



Courtney,

Congratulations on Graduating from NCSA.

We are so proud of your accomplishments and wish you all of the success you deserve for the future.

As you pursue your dance career, make all of your dreams a reality.

Keep smiling and remember.....

Dad, Mom, Chris and your family and friends in Bermuda

Love You Very Much.



Kerri Lowe



In this world you've a soul for a compass
And a heart for a pair of wings
There's a star on the far horizon,
rising bright in an azure sky
For the rest of the time that you're given,
why walk when you can fly?

- m.c. carpenter

Dearest Kerri,

Our love and support are always yours.

May you follow your passion and remember your grace.
Mom, Robin, and all your family and friends



"There is no need to reach high for the stars; they are already within you—
just reach deep into yourself." -Anonymous

Lindsey Matheis



Bird,

Your embrace of every moment and infectious laugh have brought light and love into our family. Through you we have seen joy...from "oh boy!" to "you don't even know what I'm about!", we have been given a chance to bask in your sunshine and know moments of God's grace. You will always be our little bird, even as you continue to become the beautiful woman

God envisioned.

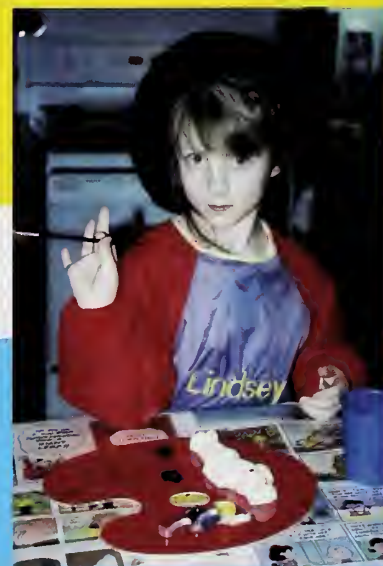
We love you!!!

Quinnman, Dad & Mom



"You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands." Isaiah 55:12

"Last night I dreamed I ate a ten-pound marshmallow, and when I woke up the pillow was gone." -Tommy Cooper



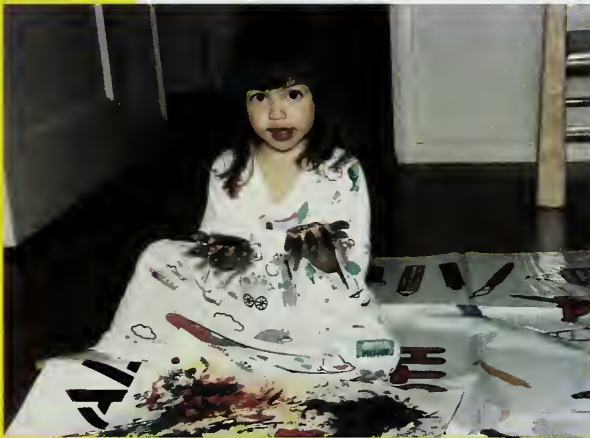
Dear Thomas,

We thank God every day for the gift that is Thomas McShane, the inquisitive child and now the creative man of integrity who brings such intense passion to every endeavor and such caring compassion to the world.

With love, gratitude, and pride,
Mom and Dad



Thomas McShane



Congratulations
Christine! Your future
never looked brighter.
We love you,
-Mom, Dad, Steven,
Charles



Christine Meyer

Chris Moran
"He who holds Christ in his heart."

Son, we are so very proud of you!
Words cannot express all the love and great joy
that you have brought into our lives.
We are thankful to God for you are a special gift to us,
and a blessing to so many others as well.
Your thoughtful, kind, and gentle nature
exemplifies your Christ-like spirit.

Your hard work and dedication
to your music and academics has served you well.
We know that God has many great things in store for you,
and we pray that as you continue on life's journey,
He will use you and your musical gifts
to accomplish great things in His name.
May you always seek
the Lord's perfect will for your life in all things,
and may He richly bless you in the years to come.

We love you very much,
Your greatest fans!

Mom and Dad



Zach,

We are so blessed by God to have the opportunity to be your parents. You
are an amazing young man with many gifts and talents. We pray you
will always hold fast to the Truth and be who you were made to be, YOU!!
Compare yourself to no one, live life to the fullest each and every day, and
use the gifts God has given you to glorify Him. Congratulations!! We are so
very proud of you, and we love you very much!!

Mom and Dad

P.S. You are an awesome big brother!! We love you, Ashton, Hunter and Elise



Zach Moran

From the feisty little girl you were to the beautiful young woman you've become, you've always been a joy, Michaela. (Well, mostly a joy. What was you thinkin' ?!) And a delight! We're proud of you, sweetie- of the risks you've taken and the courage you've shown.
God bless you!

We love you,
Mom, Dad & Seth



Michaela Morton



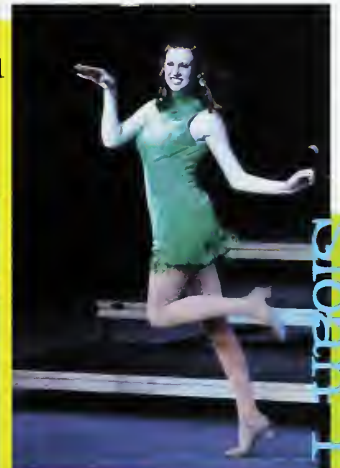
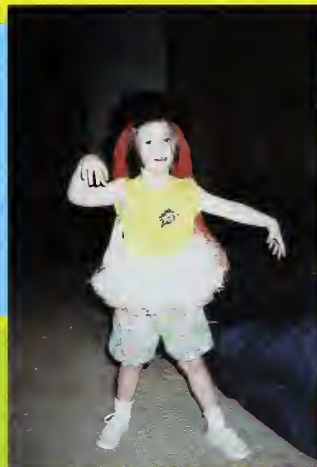
Lydia McRae

"YA EITHER GOT IT, OR YA AINT"
-Mama Rose

There's no doubt, you've got it!
Always have, always will.

We love your
Mom, Hope, Dad

Lydia,
Dancing is dreaming with your feet.
Never stop pursuing your dreams.
We love you and are proud of you.
Mom and Dad



Sloan Thompson

Aaron Pennington



Aaron,
Congratulations on your graduation. Your self-driven nature has brought you to where you are today and your future looks so bright. We are blessed to have you in our lives! We love you dearly, PEACE... Mom, Dad & Austin



Hannah Reed



Hannah,

We are so proud of you and
Everything you have accomplished.
May your future be bright and full of joy!

All our love,
Mom, Dad, and Nelson



Congratulations Elizabeth!

We are so proud of you! I can remember watching you on stage during a recital when you were only five or six years old. It was a tap number and of course you were the youngest and the smallest. In the rush of getting back on stage, you accidentally put on the skirt of the biggest dancer. There you were, just tapping away, your skirt falling down and one of your tap shoes barely tied. We were sure, that shoe was going to fly off and hit the man in the first row. But you never missed a beat, you just kept on dancing.

And you have been dancing ever since...

Love, Mom and Dad

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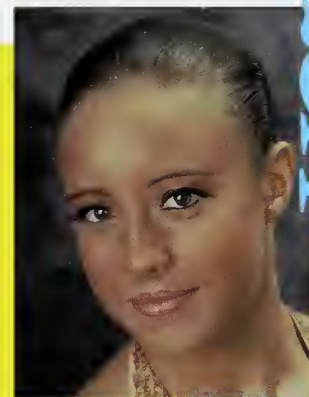
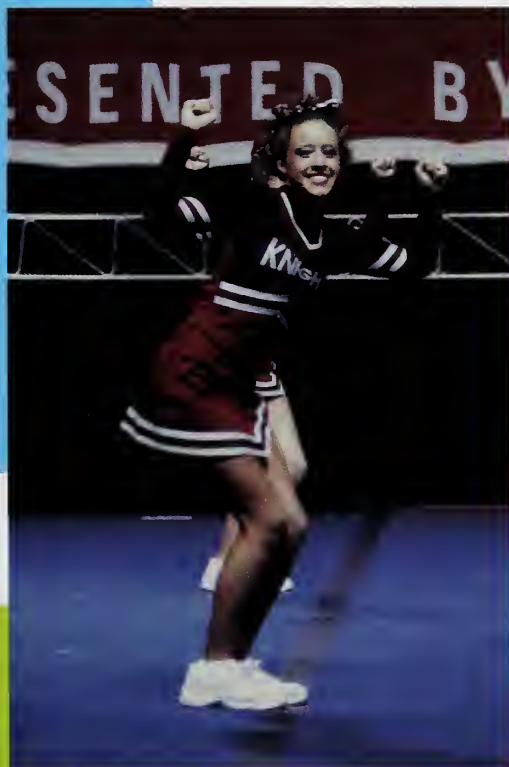
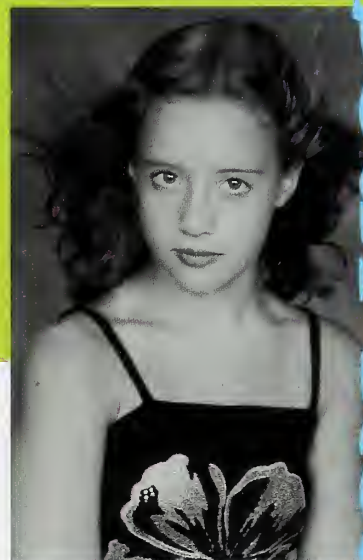
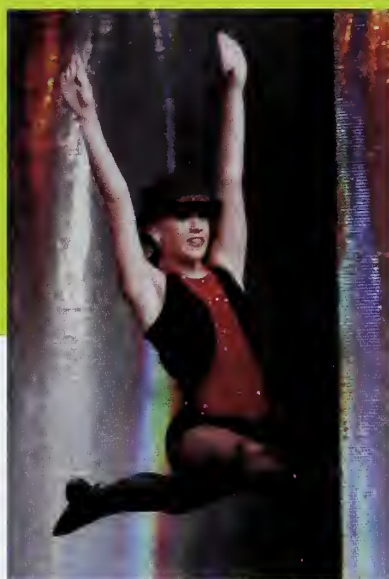
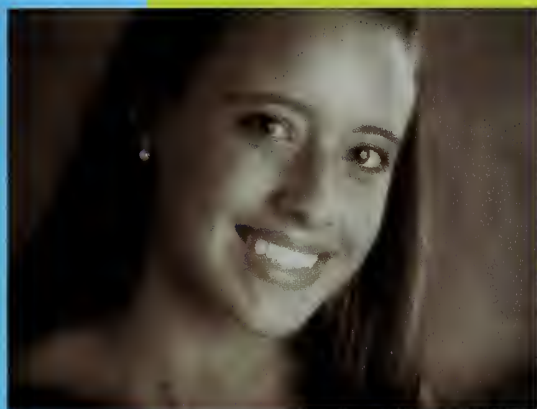
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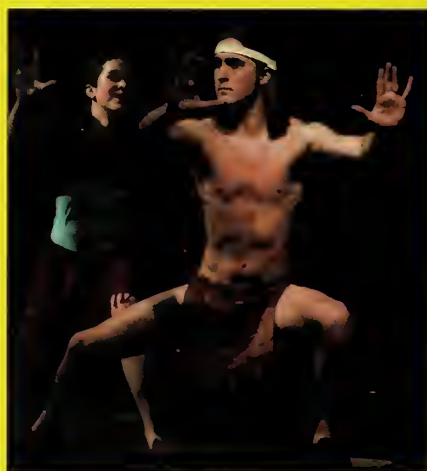
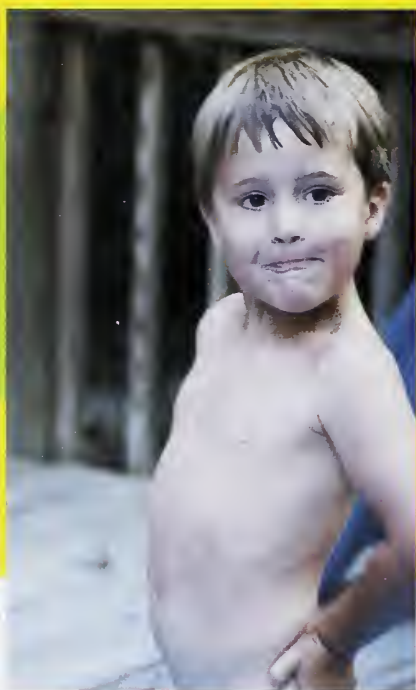


Taya Ricker



Be not afraid of taking
the road less travelled.
Be fearless in your future
pursuits and follow your
heart in all endeavors.

Love,
mom and dad



Thomas,

We are so very proud of you. Remember
to always follow your heart. Your music
is a gift- keep on singing...

Nous t'aimons

Mom, Dad, Grey & Logan

Thomas Rowell

Life is what we make it, always
has been, always will be.
-Grandma Moses



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Dear Chase,

I celebrate this time in
your life. I am grateful
and amazed for who you
are as an individual and
for God's creation in and
through you. You are
an amazing joy, an
incredible blessing and
I love you more than
words can ever say,
Mom

Chase Salmon

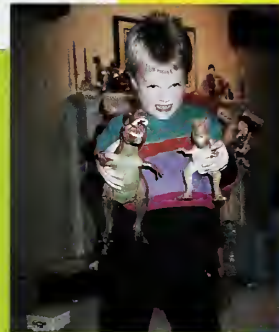
Acts 17:28



Proverbs 3:1-6



A mighty oak was once a little
nut that stood its ground.



Where words fail,
music speaks.

-Hans Christian Anderson

The sun rises and
the sun sets, so
are the seasons
of our lives.
Follow the One
who created you
to be, and in the
journey you
Will be whole
and free.
-Mom

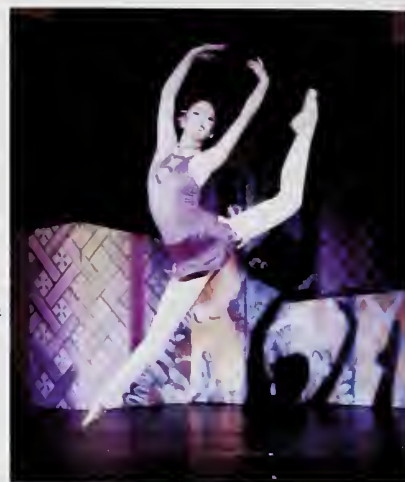


Michelle Saruwatari

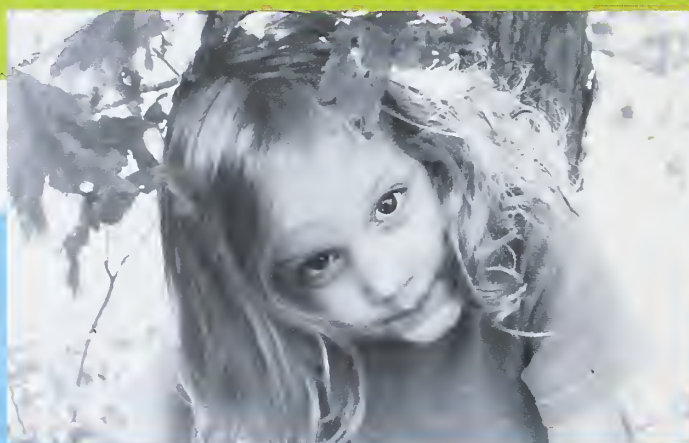


Our "type B" child with so much drive and perseverance. We are so proud of you and admire your courage and determination to pursue your dreams. You should be proud of us that we were willing to let you go from your safe world here of warm sunshine and soft breezes to a new place almost 5,000 miles away. What were we thinking..but we have seen you thrive and blossom. We will always support you in all your endeavors. You have our respect, love and admiration.

Your loving ohana



CONGRATULATIONS Anna,
...You're off to Great Places! Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting. So..get on your way!
We are so very proud of you,
Dad, Mom, TJ & Lily



Anna Schmoker

Chiara von der Goltz

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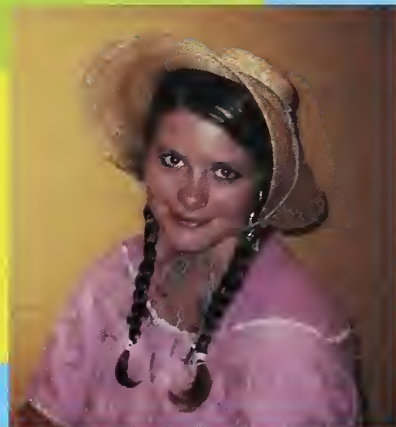
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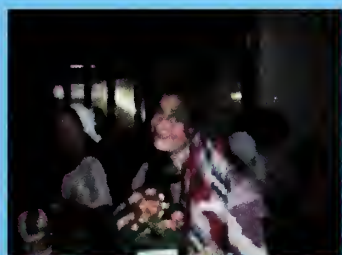


Persevered..Persevering..Persevere

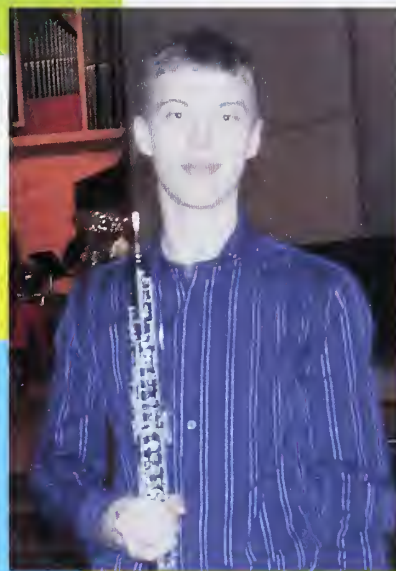
We are so proud of you and will always be there to root you on.

Shine your clear light..we love you forever

Mom and Dad



Congratulations John!



John Winstead

Your passion for the oboe has opened up a world of opportunities for you. Your playing is so extraordinary it takes our breath away & fills us with joy. You are such an inspiration for all of us. Your exceptional work ethic, dedication to your music & love of what you do will allow all your dreams to come true.

Dream big, listen to your heart
and enjoy the journey ahead!
Love always, Mom, Dad, & Amelia



"What we are is God's gift to us. What we become is our gift to God."
Eleanor Powell

Kyle Walker



"Don't aim for success if you want it
just do what you love and believe in,
and it will come naturally."

-David Frost



To our Pianoman,

We are, and will always be proud
of you and your accomplishments!
Continue to make a joyful noise
unto the Lord. Be thankful unto
Him, and bless His name.

We love you,
Mommy, Daddy & Darcel



You have brains in your head.
You have feet in your shoes.
You can steer yourself in any direction you choose.
You're on your own.
And you know what you know.
You are the guy who'll decide where to go.

-Dr. Seuss

"As you get older, you look at things differently." - Brett Favre

"I think art education, especially in this country, which government pretty much ignores, is so important for young people." - Mikhail Baryshnikov

"Skrock it out!" - Jackson

"I remembered that right after you said it."

"Whatever happens, it going to happen."

-Corey Grunenberg

"Okay, now do it again."

- Kee Juan Han

"Life deals you a lot of lessons; some people learn from it, some people don't." - Brett Favre

"Dancing is my obsession. My life."

-Mikhail Baryshnikov



Thank you to everyone who works at or with NCSA.

Congratulations Seniors!
We're so proud of you!
Good luck,
Your Faculty & Staff

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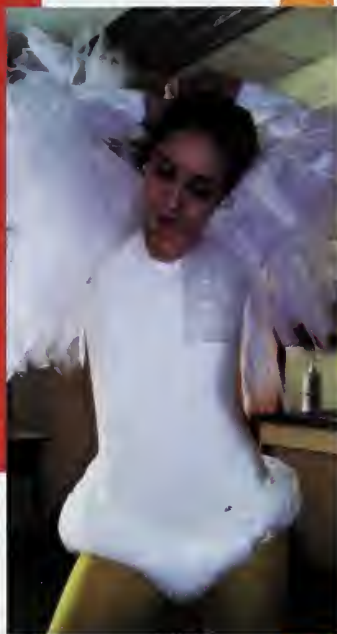
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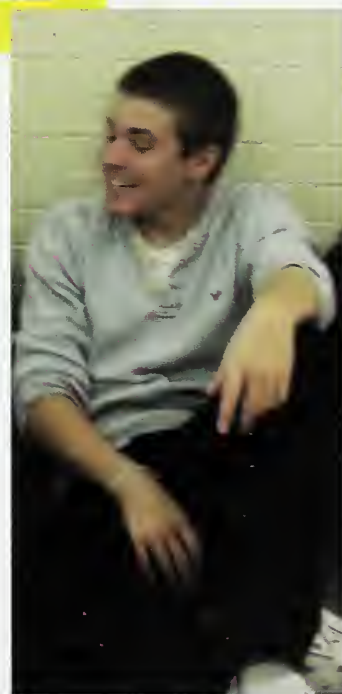
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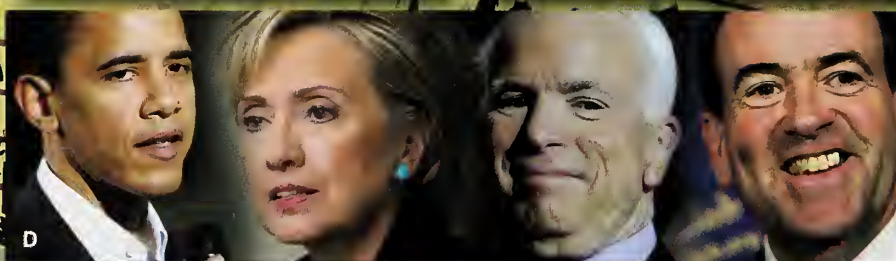
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A. Economic aches

Gasoline and food prices went up and home prices went down as the economy weakened. At yearend 2007, the national average price for one gallon of gas was \$2.97, while the average price for a gallon of milk was \$3.80. Home prices experienced the largest drop in 16 years. In addition, jumps in adjustable rate mortgages left many homeowners behind or unable to pay their monthly house payments.

B. Drying up

A severe drought in the southeast U.S. led to water use restrictions and renewed tensions over water supplies in Georgia, Florida and Alabama. The drought was the worst in northern Georgia in 100 years.

C. Superbug hits schools

Schools across the country began dealing with a drug-resistant staph superbug called methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus, or MRSA. Some schools closed for cleaning when a student was found to have the bacteria. MRSA caused several student deaths.

D. Stay tuned

Front-runners kept changing before the summer conventions to pick 2008 presidential candidates. But as of Super Tuesday, Feb. 5, U.S. Senators Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton were in a dead heat in their quest for the Democratic Party's nomination, while for the Republicans, U.S. Senator John McCain, almost written off a few months ago, had a large lead over former Governor Mike Huckabee of Arkansas.

E. Gore wins Nobel

Former Vice President Al Gore won the Nobel Peace Prize for his work on informing the public about global warming. He shared the award with the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Gore said he planned to donate his half of the \$1.6 million prize to an organization that works to cut carbon emissions.

F. Misfit toys

More than 12 million toys made in China were recalled for containing high levels of lead. Mattel, the nation's number one toy maker, also recalled 172,000 Fisher-Price toys that could pose choking hazards.



A container ship hit the Bay Bridge in San Francisco, causing the worst oil spill in the bay in 20 years.



Steve Fossett, holder of many aviation records, disappeared during a flight over Nevada.



Cancer deaths were declining because more people were getting screened and new treatments were saving lives, scientists said.



Myanmar quelled the uprising by Buddhist monks for democracy, killing and detaining thousands of people.



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G. War goes on

In the war on terror, more than 165,000 U.S. troops were stationed in Iraq and approximately 25,000 in Afghanistan. The number of U.S. troops killed in Iraq began to decrease monthly, likely caused by changes in strategy in the fight against the insurgents.

H. California wildfires

More than 23 wildfires blazed across almost 500,000 acres of southern California in October, destroying 2,300 homes. Twelve people died. Arson was the cause of some of the fires. Santa Ana winds also fueled fires again in late November.

I. Democracy threatened

Democracy in Pakistan, a nuclear-armed nation, was on shaky ground already when former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was killed during a political rally. Elections originally scheduled for January were delayed. Amid the tensions between political factions in the country, additional concerns stemmed from possible threats from al Qaeda and Taliban extremists in the country.

HELP ON A GLOBAL SCALE

Bill Gates, founder of Microsoft, worked to end world hunger and extreme poverty through the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

- \$306 million – Amount the foundation pledged in January to help small farmers in Africa and developing countries grow and sell their crops.
- \$14.5 million – Amount given since 1994 for the foundation's key areas: global health issues, global development such as agriculture and research, and U.S. education.
- \$3.2 billion – Projected amount the foundation expected to give away in 2009.
- 820 million – Number of people who suffer from chronic hunger in the developing world.

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The population of New Orleans was about 300,000, or 65% of its size prior to 2005's Hurricane Katrina.

Liz Claiborne, who started her company in 1976 to bring stylish, affordable clothing to working women, died of cancer.

Rioting and deaths occurred during disputes over the outcome of Kenya's presidential election.

A Siberian tiger at the San Francisco Zoo killed a teen and mauled two others on Christmas Day.



J. Rush-hour bridge collapse

Bridges across the country were inspected after an Interstate 35 bridge over the Mississippi River in Minneapolis collapsed Aug. 1. Thirteen people were killed, and eventually 88 vehicles were located in the bridge wreckage or the river. Construction work was being done on the bridge when it collapsed during rush hour.

K. Castro steps down

Fidel Castro, 81, ended his 49 years as president of Cuba by resigning the post due to his health. Castro and his brother, Raul Castro, overthrew the Cuban government in 1959, installing communism in the tiny island nation 90 miles from Florida. Reaction regarding Cuba's future was mixed from Cuban-Americans in Florida, many of whom had fled the communist regime.

L. Protests in Jena

Tensions ran high in Jena, La., where six black teens were charged with beating a white classmate. Supporters of the Jena 6 said the beating followed an earlier incident in which white high school students hung nooses on campus. The supporters were angered because the white students were punished with school suspension, while criminal charges were filed against the Jena 6.

M. What is Iran up to?

U.S. intelligence concluded in a report that Iran actually stopped work in 2003 on a nuclear weapons program the U.S. suspected it had still ongoing. That was the year the U.S. had invaded neighboring Iraq. However, Iran announced it was close to starting up its Bushehr nuclear facility, which will provide electricity to the country. Russia was building the plant for Iran and was supplying the nuclear fuel.

N. No safe place

In December, a 19-year-old gunman killed six employees and two customers in a department store in Omaha's Westroads Mall before killing himself. A few days later, a gunman killed two staff people at a missionary center in Arvada, Colo., then killed two teens at a Colorado Springs church before being shot by a church volunteer security guard.

O. Safe and effective?

Drug companies pulled cough and cold medicines for children under age two out of stores, while pediatricians urged the government to issue a statement saying the medicine should not be used in children under age six. Many of the cough and cold medicines have never been tested in children.



Working the overnight shift was listed as a probable cause of cancer. About 20% of workers in developed countries work nights.



The Airbus A380, the world's largest airliner, made its first flight from Singapore to Sydney with 485 passengers and crew.



A dormitory parent at Oprah Winfrey's school for girls in South Africa was charged with abusing students.



Cyclone Sidr killed more than 3,200 people and injured nearly 40,000 in Bangladesh, the government reported.



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P. Weathering the weather

In December, back-to-back rainstorms with hurricane-force winds pounded Oregon and Washington, where helicopters rescued people stranded in floodwaters. An ice storm hit the Midwest, leaving many people without electricity for days, including 600,000 people in Oklahoma. In February, more than 50 people were killed in tornadoes that struck Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama and Kentucky.

Q. Social technology solves crimes

Oakland, Calif., police used clues from a MySpace page to charge a man in the shooting death of a high school student, while police in Washington, D.C., used a Facebook profile, found by the victim, to charge a man in a hate-crime attack near the Georgetown University campus.

R. Lively and quick

Hurricane Humberto took southeast Texas by surprise, going from a tropical depression to a hurricane in 18 hours. A specialist at the National Hurricane Center said no tropical cyclone has ever grown stronger at a faster rate while being so close to land. Still, it does not take long for a hurricane to cause damage, which was estimated at less than \$500 million.

S. No help needed

Six French aid workers were sentenced to eight years of hard labor for trying to take more than 100 children out of Chad for adoption. The workers, who were with the charity Zoe's Ark, said the children were Darfur orphans living in Chad. But officials with the Red Cross and UNICEF said most of the children were from Chad and were living with their families when they were taken.

SMOKE-FREE AREAS INCREASE

More states, cities and non-public areas ban smoking.

22 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico have laws prohibiting smoking in workplaces and public places, up from two states five years ago.

Almost 60 college campuses have smoke-free policies

The number of teen smokers continued to decline. In 2007, only 3% of 8th graders, 7% of 10th graders and 12% of 12th graders smoked daily.

American Lung Association, American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation and Monitoring the Future study/University of Michigan



Researchers found that biting has caused the spread of facial cancer tumors that have killed 90% of the Tasmanian Devils on Tasmania.



The \$5 bill got a color makeover, following the updates of the \$10, \$20 and \$50 bills to thwart counterfeiters.



O.J. Simpson was charged in a Las Vegas robbery, allegedly trying to regain some of his sports memorabilia at gunpoint.



Six percent of Britons claim to have done dental work on themselves, such as pulling teeth, as subsidized care was unavailable.



A. Almost perfect

The New England Patriots dominantly marched through the NFL regular season and AFC playoffs 18-0, and appeared ready to become the first pro football team in more than 35 years to finish a season without a loss. But the New York Giants had other ideas, and they ended the run at perfection with a 17-14 upset win in Super Bowl XLII. The much-hyped game was the most watched Super Bowl of all time, and the second-most watched TV program ever.

B. Daddy goes to work

Golfer Tiger Woods became a dad for the first time, with daughter Sam being born during the summer. The new dad kicked it into gear again, winning his 13th major at the PGA Championship and closing the season by winning the Tour Championship.

C. Scary moment

During one of his runs at the Summer X Games, skateboarder Jake Long gave the audience a terrible scare when he lost his balance in mid-air, flew off his skateboard and fell about 45 feet straight down onto the ramp below. Even though Long's fall was roughly



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equivalent to more than three stories, he walked away with a couple of contusions and fractures, but lived to tell about it and became a skateboarding legend in the process.

D. Big breakthrough

After several years of hype, basketball phenom LeBron James finally began to show signs of living up to his nickname of "The Chosen One." In only his fourth season, and at only 22 years old, James guided the Cleveland Cavaliers into the NBA Finals. In the process, he became a media superstar, landing spots as the host of ESPN's ESPY Awards and Saturday Night Live.

E. Baseball comes clean

Nearly two years after he was appointed by commissioner Bud Selig to investigate the use of performance-enhancing drugs in baseball, former U.S. Senator George Mitchell released a 409-page document with his findings. The report specifically mentioned 88 players by name, and reactions varied from shock to a shrug of the shoulders. The most notable of those implicated in the report were New York Yankees pitchers Roger Clemens and Andy Pettitte.



Florida quarterback Tim Tebow won the Heisman Trophy.



Sprinter Asafa Powell set a new 100-meter record of 9.74 seconds.



The Houston Dynamo won its second straight MLS Cup.



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F. A tainted king?

San Francisco Giants slugger Barry Bonds hit his 756th home run and passed the long-standing all-time record of Hank Aaron. However, the historical mark was not widely celebrated as Bonds continued to be the subject of speculation about steroid use during his career. Later, he was even indicted for perjury related to the federal investigation into steroids.

G. Rough first year

It was not exactly smooth sailing for British soccer star David Beckham during his first year in America. After signing with the Los Angeles Galaxy of MLS, Beckham was only able to play in eight games due to various knee injuries and the Galaxy were unable to make the playoffs.

H. A blown call

Tim Donaghy, an NBA referee for 13 seasons, embroiled the league in controversy when he became the subject of an FBI investigation due to allegations that he bet on games that he officiated. Donaghy later pleaded guilty to two charges related to the investigation, and admitted that he made calls that affected the point spreads in those games.

IN THE GAME

About 25 million American youth play competitive school sports and 20 million youth ages 6 through 16 play organized sports in a community program.

The most played team sports are:

- 👉 Basketball, 4+ million
- 👉 Baseball, 2.5+ million
- 👉 Outdoor soccer, 2+ million
- 👉 Touch football, 2 million
- 👉 Court volleyball, almost 2 million

NYU Child Study Center, aboutourkids.org



American Joey Chestnut won the World Hot Dog Eating Contest, as competitive eating gained popularity.



Former San Francisco 49ers coach Bill Walsh, who won three Super Bowls, died at 75.



The U.S. women's soccer team struggled at the World Cup, losing 4-0 to Brazil after coach Greg Ryan benched starting goalie Hope Solo.



I. Twice as nice

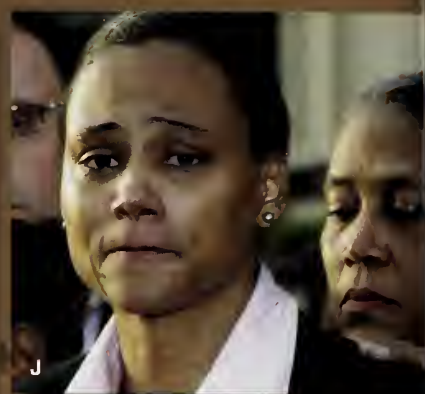
Three years after erasing the 86-year "Curse of the Bambino" and ending one of the longest title droughts in sports history, the Boston Red Sox did it again by sweeping the Colorado Rockies to win its second World Series in four years. Boston rang up the best record in baseball during the regular season, and then beat the Rockies, who had won 21 of its previous 22 games.

J. Sad admission

After several years of denials, track star Marion Jones, a five-time Olympic medalist, admitted to the public that she took steroids prior to the 2000 Summer Olympics. Afterwards, the IOC stripped Jones of her medals and she announced her retirement.

K. A champ again

Russian tennis sensation Maria Sharapova, only 20 years old, won her third Grand Slam title by breezing through the Australian Open without losing a set. Sharapova added the crown to the previous U.S. Open and Wimbledon titles she already won.



L. Record season

In his 17th season, Green Bay quarterback Brett Favre set the NFL career record for passing yards, passing Dan Marino. The 38-year old, three-time MVP also experienced a rebirth by leading the Packers to a 13-3 season and the NFC Championship Game. However, they fell one game short of the Super Bowl, losing to the New York Giants in overtime.

M. Dog days

Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick was arrested by federal investigators for organizing a widespread dog-fighting ring out of his home. The NFL indefinitely suspended Vick, who at one time was the highest paid player in the league. After he pleaded guilty, Vick was sentenced to 23 months in prison.

N. A new hope

Young Shawn Johnson, a 15-year old from Des Moines who stands only 4-feet, 8-inches tall, became the next face of the U.S. women's gymnastics team when she became only the fourth American



Bobby Knight stepped down at Texas Tech with 902 wins, the most of any coach in college basketball history.



Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal continued their rivalry as the two best tennis players, capturing all four majors between them.



Nascar driver Jimmie Johnson won his second straight Nextel Cup.



Woman to win the all-around competition at the World Championships. In the process, Johnson set the stage for the team's hopes at the 2008 Summer Olympics.

O. Impossible to predict

The college football season was filled with several twists and turns, starting with tiny Appalachian State's upset of Michigan in the opening week. Non-traditional football schools such as Kansas, Kentucky and others made appearances in the top 10. In the end, LSU won the national championship by defeating Ohio State, 38-24 in the BCS title game.

P. Return to glory

The Boston Celtics set out to recapture their glory days by trading for forward Kevin Garnett and guard Ray Allen and pairing them with forward Paul Pierce to form a new "big three" trio of all-stars. The early returns were positive as the team steamrolled to a 30-4 record, equaling the best start in franchise history.

A NATIONAL EVENT

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This year's Super Bowl was the second most viewed television program ever, behind the *MASH* finale.

The top five most-viewed Super Bowls are:

- New York Giants vs. New England Patriots, 2008 (XLII), 97.5 million viewers
- Dallas Cowboys vs. Pittsburgh Steelers, 1996 (XXX), 94.08 million viewers
- Indianapolis Colts vs. Chicago Bears, 2007 (XLI) 93.18 million viewers
- Chicago Bears vs. New England Patriots, 1986 (XX) 92.57 million viewers
- Dallas Cowboys vs. Buffalo Bills, 1993 (XXVII) 90.99 million viewers

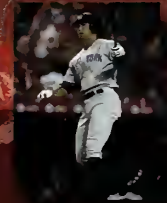
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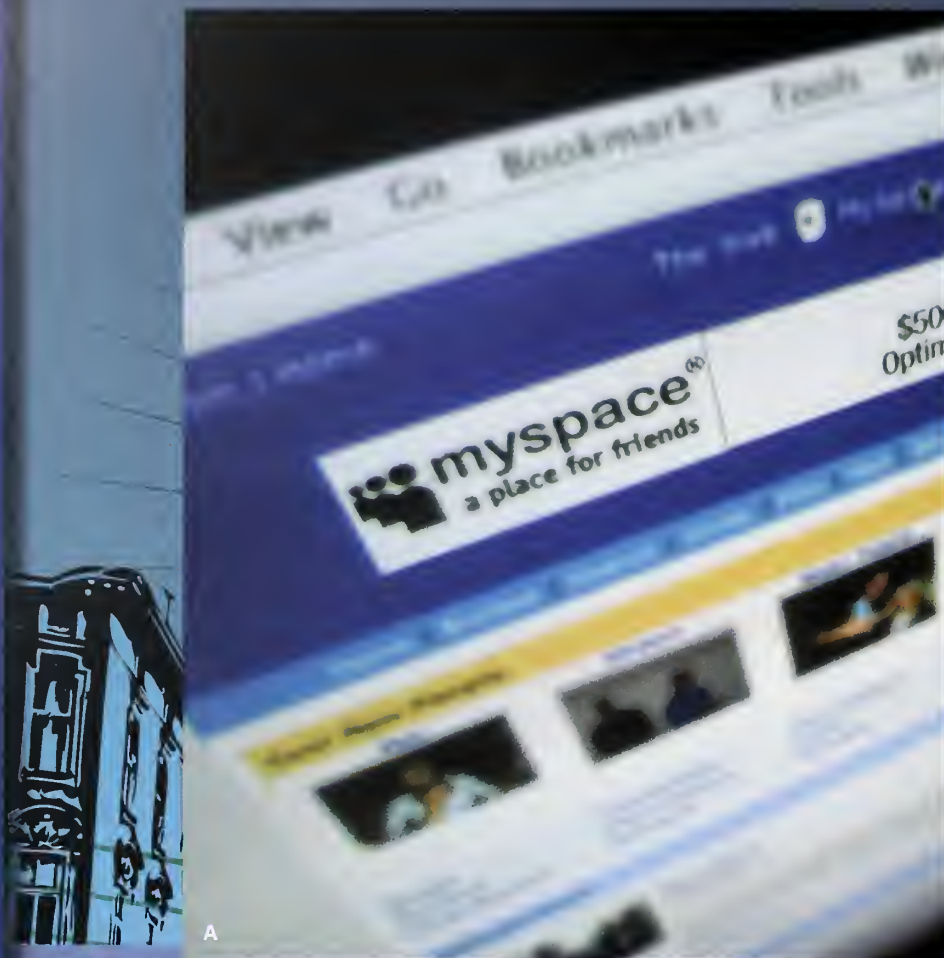
The Anaheim Ducks won the 2007 Stanley Cup over the Ottawa Senators.



Buffalo tight end Kevin Everett fractured his spine during an early season game, then miraculously recovered and walked again.



Alex Rodriguez became the youngest player to reach 500 home runs, doing so by age 32.



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A. Meet you online

Social networking websites continued to gain popularity and add millions of subscribers who ventured online to interact. Two of the largest, MySpace and Facebook, even developed a budding business rivalry. Facebook gained the backing of Microsoft, who bought a stake in the website for \$240 million.

B. Disappearing bees

Beekeepers and scientists were puzzled by, and continued to study, the problem of dwindling honeybees. Known as Colony Collapse Disorder, the phenomenon resulted in worker bees leaving hives for unknown reasons, causing the hives to die out.

C. An expert hack

Apple released its latest innovation, the iPhone, and New Jersey teenager George Hotz took full advantage. Hotz hacked the software on his iPhone, allowing the phone to be used by other wireless service providers. He then traded the secrets for a new car.

D. The green movement

With more people seeming to adopt the belief that issues such as global warming were a growing problem for the world, environmental causes suddenly became part of popular culture.



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TV shows, movies and ads were filled with "green" messages, and practices such as recycling continued to become more common both at home and work.

E. New dino

Researchers in China unearthed the remains of a giant, bird-like dinosaur, which they believed to be a new species. Feathered, but unable to fly, the 26-foot long *Gigantoraptor erlianensis* lived some 85 million years ago. The discovery was a surprise, because previous theories pointed to bird-like dinosaurs typically being much smaller.

F. The next generation

Digital Video Recorders, or DVRs, continued to gain popularity and slowly phase out VCRs as the home entertainment technology of choice. Able to record video digitally and store it in a computer hard drive, DVRs revolutionized the way many users watched TV with functions like pausing live TV, and eliminating the need for numerous video tapes.

G. Stem cell breakthrough?

Teams of scientists in the U.S. and Japan claimed they were able to reprogram skin cells to act the same as embryonic stem cells, a possible advance that could revolutionize stem cell research because



After several years of efforts, the bald eagle was officially removed from the Endangered Species List.



Microsoft's Xbox 360 was the best-selling video gaming device.



The FDA approved the first human vaccine against the bird flu.



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it would allow the work to move forward with no embryos being created or destroyed in the process.

H. One bright star

Astronomers announced that they were able to observe the largest and brightest exploding star, or supernova, ever witnessed. Roughly 100 to 200 times the size of the sun, the star was located 240 million light years away and was 100 times more energetic than the typical supernova.

I. Pet scare

Widespread reports of kidney failure and deaths among pets led to a massive scare and pet food recall by several companies, after it was determined that the food was contaminated by bad vegetable proteins imported from China and used as ingredients.

J. Race to the moon

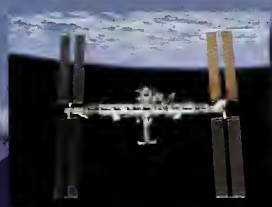
The X Prize Foundation started another new \$20 million private spaceflight contest, with the goal of landing a rover on the moon. Within a month of the contest being announced, five groups had said they would enter the contest, which was scheduled to take five years.

CYBERBULLYING INCREASES

Cyberbullying is the act of hurting someone using technology.

- ✍ 43% of teens reported they had been victims.
- ✍ 92% of the victims said they knew or figured out who the bully was.
- ✍ More girls than boys were victims.
- ✍ 71% of teens believe the best prevention is for the victim to block the bully from communicating with them.

National Crime Prevention Council survey



The International Space Station received its first new room since 2001.



A popular new trend saw parents purchasing web domain names for their small children.



Scientists discovered some 700 new species of water creatures in Antarctica.



A. Feel-good tale does well

Juno, an indie comedy about a high school girl and her parents dealing with her unplanned pregnancy, became one of the surprise hits of the year. The movie earned raves from critics for its heartwarming story and sharp dialogue, and even earned Oscar nominations for Best Picture and Best Actress for lead character Ellen Page.

B. Hollywood's main man

Johnny Depp proved he was still one of Hollywood's most bankable leading men. The final movie in the *Pirates of the Caribbean* trilogy starring Depp earned more than \$300 million at the box office, and later in the year Depp won raves for his lead role in *Sweeney Todd*.

C. Shots never seen

Planet Earth, the award-winning documentary TV series produced by the Discovery Channel and the BBC, aired in America for the

first time. The programs, created to show the beauty and diversity of the planet, took more than five years to make and reportedly captured natural images on film that had never before been seen.

D. Tough ticket

Miley Cyrus, aka Hannah Montana, was the headline act on one of the most popular concert tours of the year. Cyrus, whose *Hannah Montana* show was one of the highest rated on cable, toured with pop band The Jonas Brothers and tickets for the shows routinely sold out in minutes in each city, leading to a feeding frenzy among the pre-teen crowd.

E. TV stalls out

The TV Writers Guild of America went on a three-month strike over a dispute with the TV studios regarding the sharing of profits from "new media" revenue sources, including the internet. With no new scripts coming in, many shows were forced off the air and into reruns, making viewers realize there were other entertainment options out there.



Grey's Anatomy was still one of the most watched shows on TV.



Will Smith won Choice Movie Actor at the Teen Choice Awards.



According to reviews, *Halo 3* was one of the most popular new video games.



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F. On to the big screen

After 19 successful seasons on TV, popular animated sitcom *The Simpsons* stepped up in the world by making its first movie. Homer, Marge, Bart, Lisa, Maggie and company translated well, with *The Simpsons Movie* raking in more than \$180 million at the box office to become one of the comedy hits of the year.

G. Time to dance

Disney continued building on its wildly successful *High School Musical* franchise. The sequel to the first movie, *High School Musical 2*, drew in 17.2 million viewers on its opening night airing on the Disney Channel, the most ever for a cable TV program.

H. A shocking end

Fans were stunned when actor Heath Ledger was found dead in his New York City apartment. The star of hit movies such as *A Knight's Tale* and *The Patriot*, and Oscar-nominated for his role in *Brokeback Mountain*, Ledger was only 28 years old at the time of his death. An accidental overdose of prescription medication was found to be the cause.

TOP FIVE MOVIES IN 2007

These movies made the most money in this order:

- ✎ *Spider-Man 3*
- ✎ *Shrek the Third*
- ✎ *Transformers*
- ✎ *Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End*
- ✎ *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*

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Jordin Sparks won season six of *American Idol*, becoming the youngest winner at age 17.



This year's notable celebrity deaths included daredevil Evel Knievel, opera singer Luciano Pavarotti and author Norman Mailer.



Ratings indicated that popular new TV shows included *Samantha Who?* and *Chuck*.



I. A fitting conclusion

The saga of boy wizard Harry Potter came to an end with the final book in the series, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, being released by author J.K. Rowling to much fanfare and more than 11 million copies sold in the first 24 hours. As the books wrapped up, the movies continued. *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*, the fifth film, became a huge hit at the box office.

J. The end?

Critically acclaimed HBO mobster series *The Sopranos* aired its long-awaited final episode. The last scene of the show became a famous pop-culture moment when things ended abruptly mid-scene while Tony and the family were out to dinner. Millions of viewers were left wondering what happened.

K. Funny man of the year

Comedian Seth Rogen probably couldn't have had a much better year, scoring two huge hits and becoming a star in the



process. Rogen had starring roles, helped write and helped produce *Superbad* and *Knocked Up*, two of the highest grossing comedies of the year.

L. Star in the making

Young actor Shia LaBeouf showed he might have a chance to be one of the next big stars after a year in which he starred in one of the year's blockbuster action hits, *Transformers*, and then landed the starring role in the next long-awaited sequel being made in the Indiana Jones series of movies.

M. An Emmy surprise

30 Rock was the surprise winner of Outstanding Comedy Series at the annual Emmy Awards. The critically adored sitcom about a sitcom was a first-time winner, as opposed to HBO's *The Sopranos*, which won Outstanding Drama Series in its final season. A new nominating process for this year's Emmys led to 33 first-time nominees and what was widely considered to be a fresh perspective on the show.



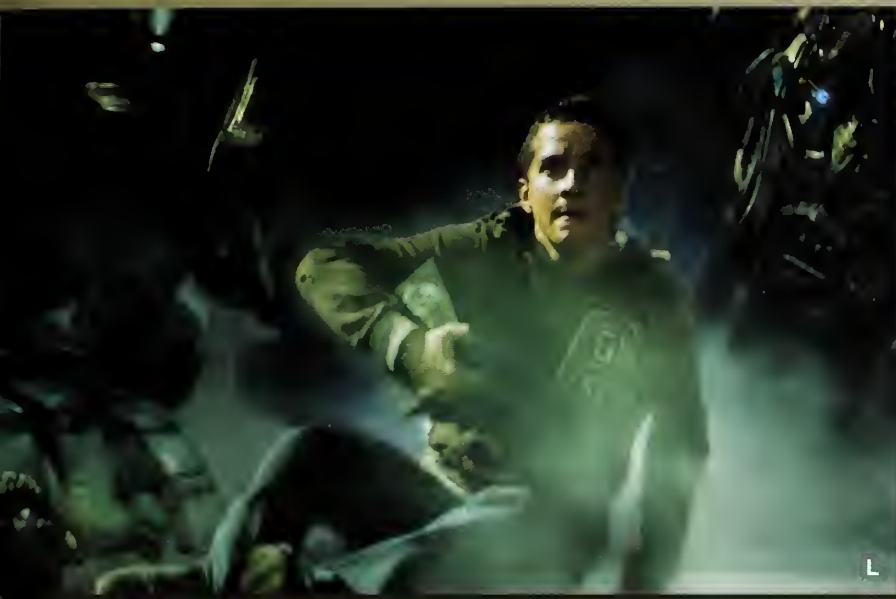
Carrie Underwood won Female Vocalist of the Year and Single of the Year at the CMA Awards.



Will Ferrell continued his string of hit movies with *Blades of Glory* and *Semi-Pro*.



Computer animation and live action mixture movie *300* was a sleeper hit.



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N. Rise to fame

British singer Amy Winehouse became a celebrity in America when her second album, "Back to Black," was one of the best selling records of the year and won her five Grammy awards. Unfortunately, her wild personal life and legal troubles also made her fodder for tabloid headlines.

O. Quite a show

The 2007 MTV Music Video Awards were held in Las Vegas for the first time, and turned into a wild night. There were several stages with multiple performances going at once. Justin Timberlake ended up being the night's big winner, taking home four awards, including Male Artist of the Year.

P. Rough comeback

It was a tough year for pop queen Britney Spears. She entered rehab for substance abuse, and then lost a custody battle for her children with ex-husband Kevin Federline. Her first new album in two years, "Blackout," had mixed success. She then ended the year with a listless live performance at the MTV Awards that was widely panned by fans and critics.

LET IM DO THE TALKING

- Nearly half of all teens use instant messaging. Of those, 43% use instant messaging to say things they would not say in person.
- 22% Use it to ask people out or accept a date.
- 13% Use it to break up.

Associated Press/AOL poll



Daughtry won three times at the American Music Awards, including for Favorite Pop/Rock Album.



Rihanna set a record for digital downloads in one week for her single "Umbrella."



Kanye West had more Grammy nominations than any other musical artist with eight.



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A. Pants on fire

While 71% of teens said they are prepared to make ethical decisions when they enter the work force, 38% of those teens say sometimes it is OK to cheat, lie or act violently to succeed, according to a Junior Achievement/Deloitte Teen Ethics Survey. Of the teens who think plagiarism is acceptable on some level, 37% said a desire to succeed justifies their actions.

B. Lookin' good

Tent dresses appeared on the scene, first as light, summery items, then long-sleeved for the winter, to be paired with ankle boots and bright tights. For the guys who liked stylin' head gear, fedoras and wool caps were available.

C. Guess who's in the kitchen

Toy kitchens were becoming more prevalent for boys. Television shows on the Food Network such as *Iron Chef*, *Boy Meets Grill* with Bobby Flay and *Emeril Live with Emeril Lagasse*, have made playtime in the kitchen – real or toy – more acceptable to American males.

D. Stopping saggy pants

Some cities are trying to stop the men's fashion of wearing baggy pants below the hips. Fines were being proposed for those in Atlanta



California banned teens ages 17 and under from using their cell phones while driving.



More teens are graduating from high school – 88% in 2005, compared with 84% in 1980.

and Trenton, N.J., caught with their pants down. In Delcambre, La., the ordinance banning the exposure of underwear carries a fine up to \$500 or six months in jail.

E. Vampires strike

Americans are unknowingly using more electricity. Cell phone charging, computers in stand-by mode, electric toothbrush clocks on microwaves and DVD players, and rechargeable tools all suck up electricity when not actually being used by a person. Estimates show 5% of electricity use in the U.S. is from stand-by power, or vampire electronics, and that could reach 20% by 2010.

HITTING THE BOOKS

- 60% of preschool children ages 3-5 were read to daily by a family member in 2005, up 53% from 1999.
- Book sales for U.S. teens increased 20% between 1999 and 2005.
- 25% of U.S. adults did not read a book in 2006.

National Center for Health Statistics, Best Books for Young Adults 3rd edition, Associated Press/Ipsos poll

